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BSI: Mariana Resort's employees have enough time to make plans

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REPORTER

Best Sunshine International, Ltd. officials said that Mariana Resort & Spa employees will have enough time to make plans once the company takes over the lease of the close to 161-hectare land north of the island of Saipan.

Mariana Resort's lease will expire in 2018 and the Department of Public Lands put out a request for proposal in 2015, with BSI as the lone bidder. BSI is a subsidiary of Hong Kong-based conglomerate Imperial Pacific International.

BSI is developing a casino hotel, the Imperial Pacific Resort & Ho-

tel Saipan (formerly Grand Mariana Casino & Hotel Resort) in Garapan for Phase 1 of its multi-billion dollar project on the island. IPI changed the hotel resort's name for name recall of the Imperial Pacific brand.

Phase 2 involves acquiring the lease of the Marpi land that has the

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Luta captain, 6 crew members join suit

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The captain and six crew members of cargo ship M/V *Luta* have asked the federal court to allow them to intervene in the lawsuit filed by Japanese investor Takahisa Yamamoto against the vessel's owner, saying they alleg-

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CNMI Museum in need of rehab

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Disheartened residents and tourists are being turned away from the NMI Museum in the past couple of months due to severe cuts to its operational budget and personnel.

"I came here with my wife to take pictures and saw this building," said tourist Hyung Seok Park. "The man

working here said it's a museum but it's closed because of no workers. It's a shame."

Former NMI Museum executive director Robert Hunter said, "The museum is nearing 20 years now. Even back then, staffing was never adequate, but staff started to get cut around 2009-2010. Despite the cuts, the museum continued to operate full

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The CNMI Museum is located on Middle Road right across Sugar King Park and houses many artifacts of ancient Chamorro society.

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Supermoon seen beginning Monday morning



The moon rises behind Reunion Tower in downtown Dallas, Sunday evening, Nov. 13, 2016. On Monday the supermoon will be the closest full moon to earth since 1948, and it won't be as close again until 2034.

AP

BEIJING (AP)—The brightest moon in almost 69 years lit up the sky this week in a treat for star watchers around the globe.

The phenomenon known as the supermoon reached its most lumi-

nescent in North America before dawn on Monday. It reached its zenith in Asia and the South Pacific last night. Across the international dateline in New Zealand, it reached its brightest after midnight on Tues-

day local time.

day local time.

The moon orbits the Earth in an oval shape. The moon was at its brightest this week because it is coming closer to the Earth along

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Schools register for Christmas tree decoration contest

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Several schools have signed up to participate in the 11th Christmas Tree Decoration Contest hosted by the Marianas Visitors Authority and the Paseo de Marianas Promoters, Inc.

The contest, which will start on Nov. 30, would involve decorating Christmas trees at the Paseo de Marianas using recycled materials. About 16 schools will take part in this annual event.

According to PDM coordinator Sonia G. Siwa, the contest includes middle school participants.

The competition is part of MVA's 15th Annual Christmas Celebration in the Marianas, a tourist attraction that would be held on the first three Saturdays of December (Dec. 3, 10, and 17) and the last two Fridays (Dec. 23 and 30) from 5pm to 10pm.

The last two Saturdays of December is Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, which is why it was moved to Friday. It would also be the time when the competition winners will be announced.

The last day for schools to register for the contest is today, Nov. 15.

Christmas tree decoration

starts on Nov. 30. The Christmas trees would be decorated with recyclable material and will be displayed at Paseo de Marianas throughout the month starting on Dec. 3, along with the annual Christmas caroling competition.

Schools that have signified their intention to join are Mount Carmel School, Northern Marianas International School, Gregorio T. Camacho Elementary School, William S. Reyes Elementary School, Dandan Middle School, Green Meadow School, Oleai Elementary School, Saipan International School, Garapan Elementary School, Hopwood

Middle School, Agape Christian School, Grace Christian Academy, Koblerville Elementary School, San Vicente Elementary School, Tanapag

Middle School, and Kagman Elementary School.

Programs for the month of December include a skit competition, a Parade of Floats,

and a costume show.

The Mochitsuki Festival, a Japanese New Year's tradition, would be held in December.

PDM Promoters haul over 1K lbs of trash



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Volunteers pose for a picture along with several policemen during a cleanup at the Paseo de Marianas on Nov. 11, 2016.

Paseo de Marianas Promoters, Inc. was able to collect 1,020 lbs of trash during its two-hour volunteer cleanup held last Friday, Nov. 11, at the Paseo de Marianas.

Volunteers met up to clean Paseo de Marianas, Coral Tree Avenue, American Memorial Park Road, Beach Road, and Old Winchells Road from 9am to 11am.

Sonia G. Siwa, coordina-

tor for PDM Promoters, said, "We usually do our monthly cleanup every first or second Saturday of the month, but since today is a holiday, all schools were closed for the children. So we decided to do our cleanup during Veteran's Day."

According to Siwa, several of the things volunteers did during the cleanup consisted of bush cutting and trimming

the plants along Paseo de Marianas in preparation for the upcoming Christmas event.

The volunteer group consisted of 35 Saipan Awaodori members, 10 staff from Kinpachi Restaurant, and two Koban policemen.

"We would like to thank the Koban policemen who also joined with our cleanup. They were such a big help," Siwa said. *(Michael T. Santos)*

Judge: Name prosecutor to handle traffic case of chief solicitor

Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja has ordered the Office of the Attorney General to appoint a special prosecutor to handle a traffic case against OAG chief solicitor James M. Zarones.

According to the minutes last week about an arraignment held on Nov. 3, Zarones appeared without counsel.

He pleaded not guilty to

the charge of vehicle entering through highway.

Assistant attorney general Jonathan Robert Glass Jr. moved to recuse OAG from prosecuting the matter.

Naraja set a status conference for Dec. 1, 2016, at 1:30pm before Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho.

According to court documents, Zarones was driving

a blue Toyota RAV 4 along Chalan Pale Arnold in Chalan Laulau when the incident happened in the afternoon last Oct. 5.

Police officer J. Mendiola reportedly issued him a ticket for failure to yield to right of way.

The citation indicated the word "sideswipe" which means that Zarones' vehicle hit another car. *(Ferdie de la Torre)*

THANK YOU AND SI YU'US MA'ASE

On behalf of Congressman Joseph Lee Pan Tenorio Guerrero, his family, and the Committee to Re-Elect, We would like to extend our heartfelt and most sincere appreciation and gratitude to the voters of Precinct 1 for your vote of confidence this past November 8th. Congressman Guerrero will continue to be your voice in the halls of congress as he has been since day one! There is still a great amount of work to be done to ensure that we are on the right track to a better and brighter CNMI. Once again, Thank You, Un Dangkulo na Si Yu'us Ma'ase, Olomwaay and Salamt Po. BIBA CNMI!

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Ambulance ends up crashing into a palm tree

A Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services ambulance ran off the road and slammed into a small palm tree in front of a house in As Perdido while responding to a car crash late afternoon on Nov. 3, according to DFEMS yesterday.

No injuries were reported at the scene, according to DFEMS acting information officer Linus L. Mizutani Jr.

The ambulance's driver, firefighter II Allen Teregeyo Calvo, was found at fault.

Mizutani said that based on the traffic investigation, the ambulance was traveling at

about 64 miles per hour.

He said the road surface was wet and weather condition was cloudy at that time.

Mizutani said that Calvo submitted to a breath test immediately after the accident, with negative results for alcohol use.

Mizutani said Calvo been placed on restrictive duty until completion of the department emergency vehicle operators course.

Mizutani said that last Nov. 3 at 5:02pm, the Department of Public Safety dispatched a traffic unit to an auto crash involving an ambulance unit from

Koblerville Fire Station #4.

The medic-5 ambulance was responding with red light and siren to a reported crash incident at Flame Tree Road in Dandan behind the American Red Cross building. While on its way to the accident, medic-5 ran off the shoulder of westbound lane by Tun Kiyoshi Kileleman Road in front of a residence in As Perdido.

Mizutani said the ambulance swerved and struck a small flame tree.

The report did not mention the occupants of the ambulance. *(Ferdie de la Torre)*

'Death by Chocolate' fundraiser

Chocolate lovers are invited to participate in the Salvation Army's first ever Death by Chocolate fundraiser on Nov. 26 at the Hyatt Regency Saipan.

The all-you-can-eat chocolate buffet will take place from 11am to 4pm, which includes a silent auction, door prizes, a professional no-limits chocolate competition, entertainment, and more. Proceeds will go to the Salvation Army's soup kitchen and food bank.

Just a snippet of the menu items consists of dark chocolate mud cake with almond chips, walnut and chocolate

cupcakes, mini black forest cake, royal Hawaiian chocolate pie, mini marble chocolate mousse in cup, white chocolate and raspberry jam tartlet, chocolate fountain vanilla sponge square, and Belgium chocolate ice cream.

The Salvation Army serves around 2,000 families and homeless people each month.

Salvation Army ministry leader Wayne Gillespie said, "We were running a little lower than usual on our budget and we need to pay overhead so that's how we thought of making the chocolate fundraiser," Gillespie

said. "We wanted to have something that was unique and interesting and pretty much universally loved, and that's obviously chocolate."

There will also be a brief kettle kick off ceremony, with a local VIP dropping the first kettle donation.

"With kettle season, we bring the red kettles around and people can just drop their loose change or dollars when they walk by."

Tickets for the event costs \$25 and entitles one to all the chocolate you can eat. Contact Gillespie at 483-0885 to have tickets delivered to you. *(Michael T. Santos)*

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Korean Air passenger in alleged beer fight may go to trial

HAGATNA, Guam (AP)—A Korean Air passenger who pleaded guilty to interfering with a flight crew after he was accused of fighting with a flight attendant who refused to serve

him more beer may withdraw the plea and face trial.

Kwon Woo Sung previously signed a plea deal that called for a one-month prison sentence with credit for time

already served following the alleged incident on the April flight from Seoul to Guam.

But a judge on Tuesday said she plans to give him a stiffer sentence, which

prompted Kwon's attorney to request more time to discuss whether to accept it or withdraw the plea, *The Pacific Daily News* reported.

Kwon is accused of start-

ing a fight with the flight attendant who refused to serve him another beer. Other passengers struggled with Kwon to subdue him and tie him up inside the plane, court documents said.

In handing down a stiffer penalty Tuesday, Chief Judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood cited passenger interviews and a video of the incident played in court. On the video, a man

can be heard swearing and threatening to kill the flight attendant's family.

"It's quite disturbing to me," Tydingco-Gatewood said.

Kwon, 41, suffers from anxiety, depression and poor impulse control and had been going through a crisis, his lawyers said.

A court hearing is scheduled for Nov. 16 to discuss Kwon's punishment, court records said.



COUNTING THE BALLOTS

Commonwealth Election Commission board chair Frances Sablan leads the tabulation committee in the wee hours of the morning as they go over each electoral district ballot box during the counting of ballots last Nov. 8, 2016, at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe.

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edly have not been paid their wages totaling \$183,647.77.

Captain Michael Brochon, chief mate Michael Harkreader, second engineer Roy Allen, chief engineer Henry Heister, chief engineer John Hart, wiper Joaquin Castro, and seaman Marlon Bambalan filed the complaint in federal court last week.

On Thursday, U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona granted their motion to intervene. Manglona also directed the clerk of court to issue a warrant of maritime arrest against M/V *Luta*.

Brochon and the co-plaintiffs, through counsel David G. Banes, are suing M/V *Luta* and its owner Luta Mermaid LLC, for foreclosure, violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act, breach of contract, failure to pay minimum wage, unjust enrichment, breach of maritime contract, quantum merit, violation of Seaman's Protection Act, and unlawful engagement.

They asked the U.S. District Court for the NMI to hold Luta Mermaid LLC liable to

pay them at least \$183,647.77 in back wages, plus damages, interest, costs, penalties, and attorney's fees.

According to Banes in the complaint, they had a contract with Luta Mermaid LLC to work as crewmen on the M/V *Luta* and to be paid for their work.

Banes said the actual pay received by each plaintiff was much lower than agreed to in the shipping articles and contracts.

Instead of paying his clients according to the articles of shipping, Luta Mermaid would only make late and partial payments, Banes said.

The lawyer said Luta Mermaid promised to pay them in full but never did.

Banes said the plaintiffs were owed as follows: Brochon, \$36,400; Harkreader, \$30,102; Allen, \$7,500; Heister, \$34,000; Hart, \$17,875; Castro, \$55,874; and Bambalan, \$1,896.77.

Banes said that beginning on April 5, 2016, the crew members made demands on Luta Mermaid for their full wages and back pay, but the company refused their demands for full wages.

Last week, a limited liability company has claimed to have a maritime lien in M/V *Luta*

after the vessel's owners/operators allegedly failed to repay any part of their \$300,000 loan or any interest.

Long Consulting LLC, through counsel Daniel T. Guidotti, asked the U.S. District Court for the NMI to allow it to intervene in Yamamoto's lawsuit against Lt. Gov. Victor Hocog and some owners/operators of M/V *Luta*.

On Thursday, Manglona also granted Long Consulting's request to intervene in Yamamoto's lawsuit. The judge also directed the clerk of court to issue a maritime arrest against the vessel.

Long Consulting is suing M/V *Luta* for foreclosure of maritime lien. The company is also suing Luta Mermaid LLC, Hocog, Abelina T. Mendiola, Deron T. Mendiola, and Fidel S. Mendiola III for breach of contract.

Luta Mermaid owns M/V *Luta*. Abelina Mendiola, Fidel S. Mendiola III, and Deron Mendiola are members of the company. Abelina Mendiola is based on Rota, while Fidel Mendiola is a resident of Louisiana and Deron Mendiola is a resident of Idaho, according to court papers.

Guidotti asked the court to order the sale of M/V *Luta* and

for the proceeds of the sale to be applied toward any judgment in favor of Long Consulting.

Aside from Hocog, Yamamoto is suing M/V *Luta*, Luta Mermaid LLC, Abelina T. Mendiola, Deron T. Mendiola, Fidel S. Mendiola III, Fidel Mendiola Jr., and Robert Toelkes. Yamamoto is suing them for breach of contract, fraud, and unjust enrichment.

Yamamoto alleged that Hocog and co-defendants refused to pay back the \$3.4 million that he put up for M/V *Luta*. He asked the court that the vessel be condemned and be sold to pay his demands, including interest and cost.

U.S. Marshal Service seized M/V *Luta* last Oct. 25 and appointed the National Maritime Services Inc. as custodian of the vessel.

Last May, former Department of Public Lands secretary John DelRosario filed a taxpayer's lawsuit against Hocog and Finance Secretary Larisa Larson over the alleged adoption of a Rota Legislative Delegation Resolution 19-3 that purportedly authorized payment of \$400,000 to Luta Mermaid, a private company owned by Hocog's relatives.

relocating their visitor center to the museum grounds is one of these, but there are a lot of other organizations that have also offered some significant potential assistance," said Hunter.

The museum is not closed per se; in fact, it is technically open. However, since there is only one employee, it all boils down to the availability of that employee. If he is not around, no one is there to open the building.

expensive problem to deal with," Hunter said.

According to Hunter, the settling of the facility, flooding, and other facility-related issues (plaster cracking) has been going on almost since the inception of the museum.

"The museum is an important activity for our students, residents, and visitors, which is why some good potential plans are in the works for it. The possibility of the Marianas Visitors Authority

added on in the renovation. Significant settling of the wing has seen it split away from the original hospital, letting water in along the construction seam that runs the entire length. Originally, this problem was addressed with the renewal of a silicon seal along the seam every year or two, but further settling and uneven settling has prevented this. Because it is a foundation issue, it is a much more complicated and

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time. The remaining staff just took on more duties."

"The historic Japanese hospital was never intended to be the permanent site for the museum. There are many facility issues inherent to a nearly 100-year-old building. The major problem with the facility is the foundation of the wing that was

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hotel, cottages, villas, a go-kart racetrack—Mariana Seaside Circuit—mini golf courses, maintenance, sports facilities—Kan Pacific swimming pool, baseball field, and Mariana Country Club—and other vacant spaces under Kan Pacific Saipan.

BSI, in an email to *Saipan Tribune*, said Mariana Resort employees could plan their future since the hotel's lease expires in 2018 while Imperial Pacific Resort is set to open in early 2017.

"Marianas Resort is still open for operations and they have a valid lease until February 2018."

"IPI's hotel would open in 2017. There is an overlap in time, so the Marianas Resort employees will have ample time to plan what they want to do," BSI added in the statement.

There were reports that BSI would absorb some of Mariana Resort's employees while the others would continue to work with the Japanese company, which operates the more than 30-year-old hotel in Marpi.

BSI is also encouraging Mariana Resort employees to apply for positions once Imperial Pacific Resort opens in Garapan. "They [Mariana Resort employees] will be encouraged to apply for positions with IPI"...most especially since they have experience in the hotel industry, a skill IPI will need once the

casino in Garapan opens."

DPL and Labor updates

DPL has already issued a conditional letter of award to IPI with negotiations still ongoing to make sure they meet all conditions set by the government agency. BSI said they are confident that they would meet all conditions set by DPL and its secretary, Marianne Teregeyo.

Teregeyo said that is so far the update she could give in BSI's takeover of the land lease by Mariana Resort. She added that there are no other hotels that would have expiring leases in 2017 while there are some in 2018 and 2019. She did not name these hotels with expiring leases.

Department of Labor Secretary Edith Deleon Guerrero, meanwhile, said BSI is following all requirements under U.S. and local labor laws. BSI is working closely with Labor and the Commonwealth Casino Commission when it comes to their hiring practices.

"With respect to the requirements of [Labor] and the submission of the workforce plan, we have that on record. It is a work in progress with the company. You can say that they are in compliance," added Deleon Guerrero.

"We are continuously meeting with them to address the other issues. I may not aware of other [CCC] requirements that they are subject to but with what we are expected with the department and what are expected of them, they are working closely with us."

SUPERMOON

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its elliptical orbit than at any time since January 1948. The supermoon also brought stronger than usual high tides, followed by plunging low tides the next morning.

Viewers saw a moon about 14 percent larger in diameter and about 30 percent brighter than when it's at its furthest from the earth. It won't be as big and bright again for another 18 years.

NASA says its closest approach occurred at 6:21 a.m.

EST (1121 GMT) Monday when the moon came within 221,523 miles (356,508 kilometers). That's from the center of the Earth to the center of the moon. Full moon occurred at 8:52 a.m. EST (1352 GMT).

According to the astronomy website earthsky.org, the term supermoon entered usage five years ago when the closest full moon fell on March 19, 2011. The scientific term is perigee full moon.

In 2034, the moon will come even closer, within 221,485 miles. That, too, will be a supermoon.

Labor chief cited for alleged misuse of govt vehicle

» **Deleon Guerrero pleads not guilty; says it's a rent-a-car, not govt vehicle**

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A police officer has issued a traffic citation against Labor Secretary Edith Deleon Guerrero for misuse of government vehicle.

When asked about it yesterday, Deleon Guerrero said she pleaded not guilty to the charges as it's a rental car and obviously not government property.

"It is ridiculous," Deleon Guerrero said, referring to the traffic charges.

According to court documents, officer Jesus Santos issued the traffic citation last Oct. 16 for alleged violations of 1 CMC 7406(e)(f)(g)(1). This refers to restriction on use of government vehicles. The sections refer to tinting prohibition, marking of government vehicles, and government license plates.

According to the statute, "no person shall operate or use a government vehicle that has any tinting materials on its windows." The exemptions are law enforcement vehicles and vehicles used, owned, leased, or assigned to the governor, lieutenant governor, and

other elected officials.

On marking of government vehicles, the statute says that "all government vehicles or government leased vehicles, excepting only unmarked law enforcement vehicles and cars driven by elected officials or judges, shall be clearly marked as such on both front doors, or, in the case of water craft, on both sides of the hull well above the waterline."

The chief of Procurement and Supply shall provide for the marking, and may also assign registration numbers.

On license plates, the statute says that only government license plates may be issued to government vehicles, and within one year of April 22, 1995, all government cars must bear government license plates, excepting only government cars that are leased for less than 60 days.

A government license plate is one that clearly says "Government" or "Gov't," and that can easily be distinguished from an ordinary license plate.

Each three charges is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 and/or three days of imprisonment, according to the law.

Evangelista wants NMC to be more accessible to Tinian, Rota students

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Newly appointed Northern Marianas College Board of Regents chair Michael N. Evangelista wants the lone community college in the CNMI to become more accessible to students from Tinian and Rota.

"A priority for me and I am sure for the other regents as well is making sure that NMC is more accessible to the residents of Tinian and Rota. After all, this is all just one Commonwealth and the residents of Tinian and Rota should not be at a disadvantage when it comes to getting their degrees from NMC," said Evangelista in an interview with *Saipan Tribune* last Nov. 10.

According to NMC spokesperson Frankie Eliptico, campuses at both Tinian and Rota have an absence of academic class offerings and students there only have access to online learning from NMC's Saipan campus.

"We have campuses there but of course the offerings of classes is not accessible as it is on Saipan. Some of them have to move over to Saipan just to speed up their graduation time," said Evangelista.

He said that NMC must be equally up to standard throughout all the campuses,

and not just on Saipan. Evangelista even considers using improved online learning capabilities for residents of Tinian and Rota to get their degrees faster.

"We have to look into and improve existing long-distance learning capabilities and have online classes of those sorts and revisit that. We have to act, we need to increase that level and improve everyday. We need to come to a point in time where the residents on Rota and Tinian are at a level playing field in regards to access to NMC and making sure that it is also affordable," he said.

"We are just one Commonwealth, so there should not be any reason for residents of Tinian and Rota to be lagging."

Evangelista believes that online learning may reduce the problem to just being a lack of facilities on Tinian and Rota.

"In long-distance learning, the students could physically be [on] Tinian and Rota, but may be plugged in with online instructors here. We need to overcome the challenges of geography and the ocean. Of course it is always faster to move over to Saipan and live here, but some cannot afford to do that," he said. "As the new chairman for the NMC Board of Regents, I will be pushing for that initiative."

According to court documents, Santos issued the traffic citation against Deleon Guerrero last Oct. 16 at 3:39pm in the parking lot of the Happiness Chinese Restaurant in western Garapan.

Deleon Guerrero was the driver of a red five-door Toyota car with license plate ACU-

788. The car is registered to Marfega Trading Co. Inc.

At the arraignment last Nov. 3 before Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja, Deleon Guerrero appeared without a lawyer and pleaded not guilty.

Naraja found Deleon Guerrero not eligible for court-ap-

pointed counsel.

Naraja set a status conference for Jan. 26, 2017 at 1:30pm before Associate

Judge Joseph N. Camacho.

Assistant attorney general J. Robert Glass Jr. appeared for the government at the hearing.

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Research helps in knowing more about cancer

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Alfreda Odoshi's father could be the first case of pancreatic cancer that was diagnosed in the CNMI. Her father was diagnosed in December 2014 of the type of cancer where malignant cells are found in the pancreas, an organ that assists with digestion.

She said her father went off-island for medical referral where his attending physician found that he has pancreatic cancer. Her dad was only given six months to live and he came back to Saipan in February 2015.

"He did some chemotherapy but died shortly before six months. Our family was there to support him in whatever he needed in the final months of his life," said Odoshi in an interview after last week's proclamation signing by Gov. Ralph DLG Torres declaring November as Lung and Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month.

"We were shocked when he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, especially when he was only given six months to

be with us. We tried to make every moment that we spent with him worth it, making memories that would last," added a teary-eyed Odoshi. "Our family rallied behind us when we lost our dad. They gave us all the love and support that we needed. We stuck together and up to now, we're still together, giving our mom the support, and she's been doing a great job."

Recent statistics reveal that an estimated 48,960 Americans are going to be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer this year, making it the third cause of cancer-related deaths in the mainland, according to Hirshberg Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research.

Pancreatic cancer had already surpassed breast cancer and is expected to surpass colon cancer to become the No. 2 type that leads to cancer-related deaths in the U.S. by 2030.

The American Cancer Society also estimates that 53,070 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2016, with 41,780 expected to die. The survival rate of those with this type of



Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, left, declares November as Lung and Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month as Commonwealth Cancer Association executive director Juan Babauta looks on.

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cancer has not improved in more than 40 years.

Torres, the Commonwealth Cancer Association, and Community Guidance Center along with their private partners have been doing a lot of information and awareness campaigns.

That's also why Odoshi and their family see to it that they participate in various programs—Marianas March Against Cancer, proclamation signing, and road side waving—and information

campaigns organized by the Commonwealth Cancer Association.

"We always support whatever activities CCA have. Mostly we are focused on lung and breast cancer where other family members were also diagnosed or were already taken from us," added Odoshi.

She said it is important for every member of the community do some research and be informed. "The community must be able to learn from it. We must be able to

learn from every proclamation, take time to do some research, and learn from it."

Support group

CCA secretary Bobbi Grizzard, who is also a cancer survivor, said doctors at the Commonwealth Health Center could check if you have symptoms. "After that, they could send you either to Guam, the Philippines or in California for second opinion to have a specialist check you up."

She added that there's equipment used to detect cancer cells inside one's body. "You should go every six months or a year to have yourself checked for early detection and treatment. And you should talk to somebody if you're diagnosed with cancer."

"Call or visit the CCA and we'll direct you. We have a survivors meeting every month and you don't need to be a cancer patient or survivor to attend. You could attend to give support. There are cancer survivors who will tell you how they handled it."

Grizzard said they also have support group for families of those who were diagnosed with cancer. "The CCA has also been one of the support group for families. Everyone is affected once you're diagnosed with cancer."

"There's a feeling of fear. What's going to happen and would this be the end? I was lucky I was diagnosed [early]. I didn't have chemotherapy or radiation. I have to go back every six months for check up after the operation in the next three to five years."

It's okay to fail; it's the getting up that counts—Pangelinan

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Yvonne R. Pangelinan had already lost count of how many times she has failed in life. But she has always stood up after each fall and tries once again no matter how many times she is unsuccessful.

"Life goes on. We need to remind our kids, especially girls, that it is okay to fail. ... We can't perpetuate the message that if you fail, that's it for you," said Pangelinan, who was acting CNMI Education Commissioner for almost two months.

Pangelinan was last week's guest speaker during the Soroptimist International of Northern Mariana Islands Live Your Dream event where they gave Rachel Ashley Reyes financial assistance for being the lone wage earner in her family while finishing her education degree.

"We have to tell them that it's okay to fail. If you fail, get back up and try again. You must keep on trying and moving until you achieve your goals and you become satisfied with the outcome," added Pangelinan, who served as the CNMI Public School System Student and Support Services associate commissioner before being hired as CNMI Education Commissioner.

SINMI officials chose Pangelinan for being an inspiration to women in the CNMI, someone who has consistently



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Live Your Dream award recipient Rachel Ashley Reyes, center, joins CNMI Public School System Commissioner Yvonne R. Pangelinan, right, Soroptimist International of Northern Mariana Islands Jill Arenovski, and a guest in last week's event.

advocated for education for the youth of the Commonwealth and pushed for women empowerment.

Pangelinan said the CNMI's youth should grab every opportunity they encounter. "There's a lot of kids who have missed their opportunity and had broken dreams but it is our job to remind them that no matter how many times they fall there's always a second chance."

"It is even more fulfilling when you achieve something or you fulfilled a lifelong

dream after failing. Our job as educators is to provide that and remind our children to strive harder."

She said that letting young girls know about successful women in the CNMI would inspire them to follow in their footsteps. "We need to expose them to all the women in the CNMI who have done such a wonderful job as lawmakers, entrepreneurs, and just following their dreams."

"Women who never gave up despite all the challenges they faced. We need these women

to be household names. We need all our girls to know that there are local women leaders who they can look up to."

Pangelinan added the youth of the CNMI should be exposed to women leaders. "There are a lot here in the CNMI but we don't talk about them enough. Like Michelle Sablan and Merissa Rasa who are entrepreneurs."

"So our girls need to know these people. Role models they can look up to aside from those who they read in textbooks. We have to expose them."

Exercise identifies gaps in NMI's pandemic response

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Several government agencies came together last week at Fiesta Resort and Spa Saipan for a tabletop exercise that will identify gaps in the event of a pandemic influenza and mass fatality situation in the CNMI.

Warren Villagomez, Public Health Hospital and Epidemiology Laboratory Capacity director, said the exercise aimed to determine what could be done to improve local response to a pandemic.

The agencies that participated in the Nov. 9 and 10 exercises were the Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services, CNMI Homeland Security, CNMI Medical Reserve Corps, private ambulance, and various other Commonwealth Health Center staff.

"It encompasses the testing of our current medical capability. The purpose of this tabletop is to learn, see, and identify gaps to make sure that we come up with corrective action and develop a better sustainable plan," said Villagomez. "We're looking forward to functional exercises in the near future, not too long from now, to really get all the players in the tabletop to administer and exercise what they've learned from the discussions."

"We're testing our capability with our stakeholders and partners," said Villagomez. "We call it the pandemic influenza/mass fatality but really it is the approach to an all-hazard response. We also included the Tinian and Rota resident directors for health, so it's really a good mix of participants. We had the commissioner of fire as well and homeland security and their planners."

The exercise was funded by the Hospital Emergency Preparedness Program under the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.

"There is a lot of good interactive information that was shared among partners and stakeholders and we are going to take that with us to identify and come up with a good solution so that the CNMI would be in a better place responding to outbreaks," added Villagomez.

DFEMS Operations Commander Jesse Mesa said the tabletop exercise was successful in recognizing what needed to be reinforced.

"It was good. A lot of the participants were young and needed more training, guidance, and understanding of the Incident Command System," said Mesa.

Mesa said that DFEMS Commissioner Clyde Norita was also present during the tabletop exercise.

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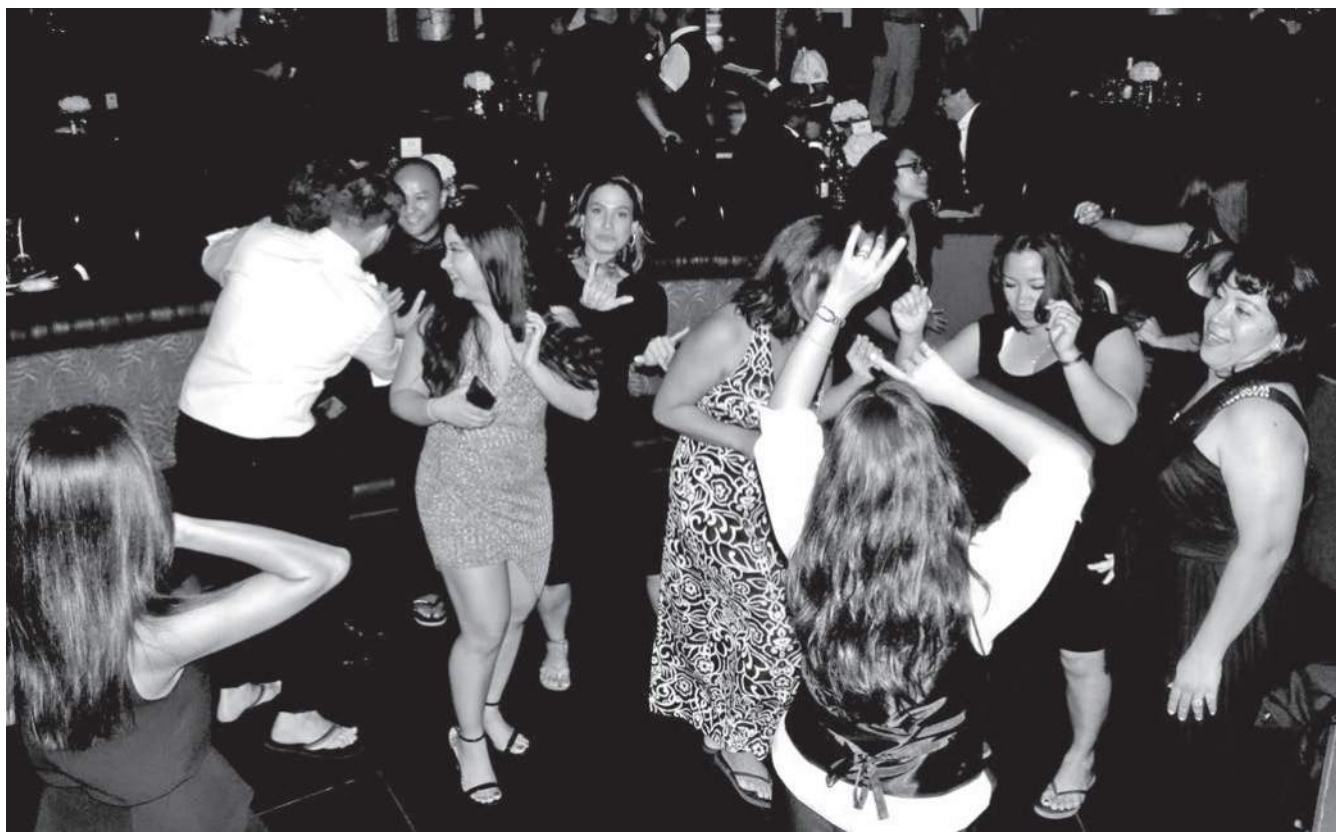
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Make-a-Wish hosts fundraiser at the Hyatt



Attendees of the Make-A-Wish fundraising event let loose on the dance floor of the Hyatt Regency Saipan SandCastle on Nov. 10.

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The Make-a-Wish Foundation invited families as well as other members of the public for their annual fundraiser at the Hyatt Regency Saipan SandCastle last Thursday.

The event, with the wardrobe theme “Black Ties and Zories” provided delicious food and beverages as well as a theatre performance of *The Lion King Jr.* from Mount Carmel School.

Eleanor Cabrera, Make-a-Wish board member for the CNMI, said, “This event was created four years ago when we wanted to have a big event called CNMI Wish Night in an effort to raise awareness and funds to help grant wishes in the CNMI. I would like to thank our very generous donors and sponsors as well as Sand Castle for allowing us to use their site for helping make our event a success.”

According to Cabrera, the chapter has been in existence for over 25 years.

Aaron Paul Roque, of Bridge Capital LLC, said, “I was touched by their presentations and I’m happy to be a

part of their mission to raise money for sick children. The overall party was very smooth; you can tell it was well planned. I had a lot of fun and the food, especially, was really good. The ticket was definitely worth it.”

Kanae Quinn, board member and treasurer for Make-a-Wish, said, “This is our fourth annual event, and this is the first time holding it in SandCastle. In the last few years, we’ve had it in smaller venues but this year we had to expand due to such a great turnout. For this event, we would like to honor our Wish kids as well so we invited three Wish families to come over and join us tonight.”

Wish kids are children who have benefited from the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which grants the wishes of sickly children to enrich the human experience.

Quinn explained how all proceeds would be going back to the islands to support the wishes of children. The wishes, usually averaging at about \$10,000, usually involves transporting the child along with their families abroad in order to do a specific task or participate in an event.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Free health screenings this week

In observation of Diabetes Awareness Month, avail of free health screenings for all agencies on Nov. 16, 2016, from 8am to 12pm at the Office of the Governor’s conference room and Nov. 17, 2016, from 8am to 12pm at the Department of Public Lands conference room. There will be a blood glucose check, blood pressure check, and cholesterol check. For more information, call 236-8727 or 236-8728. (PR)

Holiday bazaar on Dec. 4

The annual Brilliant Star School Holiday Bazaar will be held Sunday, Dec. 4, from 9am to 4pm at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe. The event is an opportunity for artists and other vendors to showcase their arts, and for residents and visitors to get an early start on buying unique and beautiful gifts for the holidays. Interested vendors may contact the school at 323-STAR (323-7827). For parents who would like to have a little alone shopping time, the event features an arts and crafts area for children. The daylong event is also graced by performances throughout the day by various community cultural and arts groups. There will also be raffles. Raffle prizes have been donated by island businesses and vendors. (PR)

FOA to hold board meeting

The Friends of the Arts will hold a board meeting on Nov. 29, 6:30pm to 9pm, at the Canton Restaurant, across from the Mobil/McDonald’s in Garapan. The meeting will include musical and thespian entertainment. There will be a detailed discussion regarding the 2017 season and the opportunity to renew membership and purchase season tickets. For more information, contact Frank Gibson at flgibson@yahoo.com. (PR)

PH mobile outreach on Saipan

The Philippine Consulate General in Agana, Guam, in coordination with Philippine honorary consul to the CNMI Glicerio Arago, said that the biometrics capturing of e-passport applications will take place on Nov. 15-19, at Studio 29:11; 2F DHL office, Chalan Lau-Lau, Middle Road, Saipan. Please note that all e-passport applications require personal appearance. Please wear proper attire (i.e. shirt with collar). Applicants are advised to be present at the venue on the date and time indicated in the schedule. Due to the start of the new ePassport system, we are strictly implementing the cancellation of “no show” applicants. For more information and confirmation, call (670) 233-6293 and ask for Mel Santos. (PR)

SHRM meeting to focus on holiday issues

The CNMI Chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management will be holding a membership meeting tomorrow, Nov. 16, 2016, from 11:30am to 1:30pm at the Pacific Islands Club’s Charley’s.

All members of the community are invited to attend.

The November meeting will offer a special opportunity to members to hear from one of the chapter’s founding members, Marcia K. Schultz, and from Catherine Cachero, of the law firm Marianas Legal Strategy Group, LLC.

Schultz is partner of Marianas Legal Strategy Group, LLC. She has over 30 years’ experience advising employers in the CNMI about employment law, discrimination, investigations, and formulating policies. She has been a member of Employers’ Council, the Em-

ployment Law Alliance, and a continuing member of the CNMI SHRM Chapter since helping to start it in 1996.

Cachero has handled a variety of employment law and employment discrimination matters, including assisting employers in responding to charges of discrimination and Title VII claims filed with the EEOC and in federal court. She also advises business owners and managers on daily operations and policy issues, including those with respect to compliance with federal and local laws, and drafting personnel policies and procedures.

They will be presenting on the topic “Holiday legal issues.” Their presentation will explore the Bermuda triangle of the holiday party, religious discrimination, holiday pay and time off,

and will provide numerous tips to help employers and human resource managers navigate the pitfalls of the holiday season. Schultz and Cachero will provide an opportunity for questions, so come with any concerns you might have about holiday issues.

As the local chapter of the world’s largest organization for human resource practitioners, the CNMI SHRM holds monthly meetings on topics that will assist the commonwealth’s HR and management community in keeping abreast of current HR practices and employment law requirements, as well as providing them training on relevant human resource topics. The CNMI chapter has been active since 1996.

Tomorrow’s meeting is a lunch presentation. The atten-

dance fee is \$20 for SHRM members and \$30 for non-SHRM members. Register with Penny Jones by e-mail at penny.jones@hyattsaipan.com or contact Penny or Lany by telephone at 323-5867 or 323-5867. Seats are limited, but still available.

SHRM is the world’s largest association devoted to human resource management. The society serves the needs of HR professionals and advances the interests of the HR profession. Founded in 1948, SHRM has more than 285,000 members in over 165 countries, and more than 575 affiliated chapters. The NMI Chapter is affiliated with the national organization. For more information about the NMI Chapter, visit their website at <http://nmichapter.shrm.org>. (SHRM)

Vietnam veterans in CNMI get congressional tribute

Vietnam veterans of the Marianas received a special tribute from Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) during Veterans Day ceremonies last Friday. Part of the Veterans Day program was dedicated to the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

"It's been 50 years since the conflict ended in Vietnam, and our gratitude to those who served is long overdue," Sablan said. "This tribute in the Congressional Record is a way of honoring and thanking Vietnam veterans for their service. It's also a way of saying, 'Welcome home.'"

The tribute recognizes the 58,220 who died in combat in Vietnam, the 7.2 million veterans still alive today, and the 9 million who served.

"Vietnam was a long and complicated conflict, and many veterans of that era came home to communities that did not always welcome them, or fully understand the depth of their sacrifice," Sablan said. "But the nation has changed since then, in large part because of the example and advocacy of Vietnam veterans. This generation of veterans taught us to honor,



Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) hands a congressional tribute to one of the Vietnam veterans present at the American Memorial Park for the Veterans Day ceremonies last Friday.

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respect, and support all our men and women who put themselves in harm's way in service to our nation."

The congressional tribute

also highlights the military service of dozens of young men from the Northern Mariana Islands who enlisted or were drafted into the

U.S. Armed Forces years before the islands became part of the U.S., and before island residents became U.S. citizens.

Because homes of record at the time were listed under Guam or other states, there is no official record of exactly who and how many from the Northern Marianas were called to serve during the Vietnam era.

"We know of four from the Northern Marianas who died in combat in Vietnam. We also know that more than 50 Vietnam veterans are still with us today. They are Chamorro and Refaluwasch from these islands, and veterans from all over the United States who now call the Marianas their home.

"On this 50th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War, we thank the veterans of that era today, and every day, for their service to our country," Sablan said. "And we recommit ourselves to the solemn promise to do more to support all our veterans, service members, and their families, in both peacetime and war."

The 50th commemoration recognizes all Vietnam veterans who served in the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty from Nov. 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975, regardless of duty location. By presidential proclamation on May

25, 2012, the commemoration extends from Memorial Day on May 28, 2012, through Veterans Day on Nov. 11, 2025.

Approximately 30 Vietnam veterans participated in Friday's 50th anniversary commemoration ceremonies held on Saipan and Tinian, and received copies of the congressional tribute. The names called at the ceremonies were provided by the Mayor's Offices, which asked Vietnam veterans to register ahead of time and identify themselves at the events. Not all registered veterans attended the ceremonies, however, and there may be names missing from the lists provided.

Sablan encourages all Vietnam veterans or their surviving family members who did not receive a copy of the tribute to contact the congressional offices at Kilili@mail.house.gov, (670) 323-2647 (Saipan); (670) 433-2647 (Tinian); (670) 532-2647 (Rota); or (202) 225-2646 (Washington). Copies may be picked up at the congressional offices on Saipan, Tinian, or Rota, or delivered personally or by mail upon request. (PR)

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Keeping promises made to 'forgotten' Americans

Donald J. Trump was elected president of the United States Tuesday in free and fair elections. Love or hate Trump, because of our cherished democracy and playing by the rules that are at the core of American principles, we are fully obliged to support the president-elect as he seeks to govern the nation to the best of his ability and in the people's interest.

After running in the most unconventional and brutal presidential campaign in modern history, Trump gave a short victory speech that was conventional and calming: "I pledge to every citizen of our land that I will be president for all Americans," he said. "Working together, we will begin the urgent task of rebuilding our nation and renewing the American dream. ... The forgotten men and women of our country will be forgotten no longer." Those words indicate that he not only understands the obligation voters' commitment places upon him, but that he also wishes to get America past the bitterness and division of the past year.

The voters left both the House of Representatives and the Senate in the hands of a Republican Party majority. That means that America should be free, starting in January, of the paralyzing political gridlock that has so hampered President Barack Obama in addressing the nation's problems.

Voting results indicate that first and foremost among these problems is the feeling of many voters that their well-being is not being seen to by Washington, that they are being left to rot. Dealing with these issues is going to require Trump's balancing his campaign pledges of a tax cut, reducing America's military presence overseas without jeopardizing its security, and renewing America through constructive, remunerative work. He must not forget the geography of the American Brexit: Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio. Those are the states that made Trump president. Trump ran on the promise of doing something about a broken American dream. He cannot now say that it was a metaphor, that none of it is really possible.

Trump enters the White House with the immense enmity of millions of Americans who are aghast at his conduct on the campaign trail for the past year and a half. Yet to echo Hillary Clinton in her gracious concession speech Wednesday, "We owe him an open mind and a chance to lead."

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Trump's economic promises tapped into worker angst

As the American economy becomes more complex, the win-

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Liberal hysteria over Trump's victory is embarrassing, despicable

On Nov. 9, 2012, these are the words I wrote for this newspaper:

"When I woke up Wednesday morning, it was dark. There was something ominous about that mid-week morning, something that I hadn't felt in many years, something that I hadn't even felt when my father died decades ago. It was sense of intangible, yet visceral, loss."

I went on to say I was devastated that Barack Obama would have four more years to refashion the country in an image I neither recognized nor appreciated. And I closed the column with a trademark melodramatic flourish, a gift from my Irish ancestors:

"On Wednesday, I felt that country slipping further away. And it was dark. But then I remembered the words of Dylan Thomas, Do not go gentle into that good night ... rage, rage, against the dying of the light."

That column garnered a lot of negative responses from people who couldn't believe that I'd unfavorably compare the re-election of the first black president to the death of my father. Looking back, it does seem a bit over the top, but when you consider I panicked about a paper cut last week because someone convinced me I could die from an infection, there is a comforting consistency in my reactions. When people are generally passionate about things, they sometimes exceed the bounds of reason.

Which brings me to this week. Donald Trump won the electoral vote in the dark hours of Wednesday morning, and the clocks stopped. This was followed by the Amazon River evaporating into the mists of the Brazilian jungle, Mount Aetna erupting and swallowing half of Sicily, the polar ice caps melting, and every resident of South Philadelphia finding a parking space in less than five minutes.

A miracle, I tell you. Of course, it wasn't a miracle to those who had been listening to the voices of working-class Americans, mostly white, mostly unnoticed by the establishment that addresses the loudest and most obvious voices of anger and grievance.

Before the election, I posted this on Facebook, anticipating a presidential loss for this flamboyant populist-cum-showman: "If you voted for Trump, and he lost, understand that the message was a good one, that there is indeed too much entrenched corruption and inbreeding in Washington, but the messenger mangled the words before they could be understood and digested by everyone not wearing a 'Make America Great Again' hat. Keep fighting the good fight, alongside of the Americans of all colors and creeds who agree with you that, as Sam Cooke sang, a change is gonna come."

I was wrong. Or rather, I was partly right. The message was mangled by hurtful words and aggressive delivery, and there were even some things that could legitimately be called racist,

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sexist or bigoted, as when the president-elect failed to differentiate between Mexicans who rape and murder and the rest of them. Trump supporters who inartfully argue that he never insinuated all illegal aliens were vile creatures could better spend their time reading up on how the future FLOTUS worked illegally in the United States as a newly arrived immigrant, and then have a slice of humble pie.

But the truth is that much of what has been labeled vicious and un-American, the attempts to link our future president to the KKK, the allegations that sick racists who scribble graffiti on walls and burn down Southern churches are his responsibility, the absolutely ridiculous accusations that he lusted after 10-year-old girls and had a vaguely incestuous relationship with his daughter, the conflation of his campaign commercials with the Protocols of the Elders of Zion and all of the other hysterical attempts to turn the man into evil incarnate didn't stop the forgotten classes from listening to his message. And that message was not "Let's keep them out," but rather "Let's bring you in."

The sophisticated folk on CNN and MSNBC, at The New York Times and on NPR heard dog whistles of racism in his dialogue. But, as Salena Zito, a Pennsylvania journalist noted, "the press takes (Trump) literally, but not seriously; his supporters take him seriously, but not literally."

The media think he wants to deport all 11 million undocumented. His supporters don't think he'll be using a calculator.

While not a #nevertrumper, I wasn't a fan of the man, and my inbox overflowed with insults from those who linked me to the hoity-toity mainstream media. But I fully understand why he won in such a convincing fashion on Wednesday morning, and I do not blame the Americans who embraced his message.

I also do not blame the people who hoped for shards of that glass ceiling to come raining down on us this week for their absolute devastation. They were tricked into believing it was there, only a few electoral votes away. I remember what it felt like to believe so profoundly in a person and to have invested blood, sweat and tears in an idea and then have it ripped away. I wrote about it four years ago this week.

But I do blame these people for their violent, cruel, absolutely inexcusable reactions. I blame them for filling up my social media newsfeeds with accusations of racism, with hysterical finger-pointing and threats, with bitter salty tears, a la Miley Cyrus, with doomsday prophecies, with ridiculous exclamations about a "lost America," with slanderous descriptions of the uneducated Neanderthals who dared deprive their icon of her rightful place

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Those of us who didn't vote for Trump should help him succeed now

By **JAMES K. GLASSMAN**
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

Like a majority of voting Americans, I cast my ballot for Hillary Clinton. What makes me a little unusual is that I am a Republican who was voting for a Democrat for president for the first time since 1976.

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in history, with images of bloody coat hangers and Kristallnacht for immigrants, with all of the basest and most histrionic things that people who have had a rude awakening can summon from the depths of their embittered souls.

This is despicable. I'm sickened by the adults who have used their children as proxies in a war against the man who will soon take the oath of office, teachers who tell their little charges that the educated people weren't numerous enough to balance out the bigotry of the stupid white yokels. I'm angry that Catholics who voted their conscience and for the unborn are being blamed for hoisting a serial sexual abuser on the women of America. I'm tired of hearing minorities and women and gays and lesbians accuse those who voted for Trump of hating them and wanting them to disappear.

Yes, I said I was depressed after Obama won a second term. I got grief for it, and I understand why. But I never looked across the aisle at a person who voted for him and said, "You despise me, and you despise America."

How dare anyone say that now to others who simply stood in line and said, "I matter, too."

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ners and losers change. On Election Night, Donald Trump tapped into not just economic populism, but the wide chasm between those prospering on Wall Street and those struggling on Main Street.

If you have a 401(k), the financial economy has been good to you. But the view from the factory floor, especially through the heart of the country, looks decidedly different. Blue-collar jobs and pensions that once supported a stable middle-class lifestyle are disappearing; workers feel left out.

Many Trump supporters put aside his vile comments about women, immigrants, and other groups in order to vote their pocketbooks. Early exit polls found that the economy was a bigger issue for voters than foreign policy, immigration, and terrorism.

Economists, pollsters, pundits and the Clinton campaign simply missed the extent of this hurt and its impact at the ballot box. In September, for instance, economists celebrated a Census Bureau report hailing that median household income rose 5.2 percent in 2015, from \$53,718 to \$56,516. It was touted as the first real gain since 2007 and the largest gain on record since 1967. Poverty also fell sharply; middle-class incomes rose steeply.

However, too many Americans still felt lost in that sea of statistics. Trump tapped into the visceral fears of millions of white working- and middle-class Americans. Nearly two-thirds of voters say the nation's economic condition is poor or not so good, according to CNN exit polls. And these people voted for Trump 2-to-1, many in the belief that a businessman would know how best to improve the economy.

This newspaper recognized during the campaign that the anxiety felt by Trump supporters is real; however, we expressed skepticism that the solutions Trump offered would be much of a balm. There is general agreement among liberal and conservative economists, for example, that his tax cut plans would explode the deficit, along with a fear that his protectionist leanings could toss the U.S. into trade wars and sink the U.S. economy back into a recession.

However, much of the electorate heard something different. Now Trump has the opportunity to deliver on his promises.

You might be surprised, then, to learn that I am optimistic about what happens next, and that I hope other Republicans in my boat will help the new president succeed, offering their advice and (if Trump isn't blackballing us #NeverTrumpsters) their services.

Why hopeful? Well, Trump is smart enough to know that there is a lot of important work to be done and a country to unite. As a result, I doubt Trump will kick off his presidency with his most disturbing promises: expelling undocumented immigrants, prosecuting Hillary Clinton, filing lawsuits against the women who said he groped them, somehow making Mexicans pay for a wall that most Americans don't want, banning Muslims from entering the country, killing trade deals.

He has backtracked on some of these promises already. Others, I suspect, he will fudge or kick down the road, and even his most ardent supporters won't mind. They are happy to have him in the White House.

Second, with Republican control of the House and Senate, Trump has an unusual—and perhaps fleeting—opportunity. Barack Obama had only two years with control of Congress; George W. Bush had four (plus four months); Bill Clinton, two. I hope Trump will break Washington gridlock by using the time for job one, which is getting the economy moving again after a decade of subpar growth. He should concentrate on improving infrastructure, reforming corporate taxes, paring regulation and expanding the chances for Americans to get a better education. Most Americans will back him.

Other than on immigration, Trump seems to have the right instincts for domestic policy, but on foreign policy and national security, he needs a lot of help. The threats are ominous: a more aggressive Russia and China, ISIS, the growing use of cyber-weapons, and Europe's coming apart at the seams (which Trump will soon learn is not as salutary as he thought).

Most members of Trump's national security team during the campaign were second-rate. That might not have been his fault because so few State, Defense and intelligence community vet-

erans from previous administrations would work with him. They should now. If the president calls, it is their patriotic duty to respond. To get an indication whether this administration will succeed, look at the people Trump appoints to key national security jobs in the next few months.

Another task for Trump during the time before taking office is meeting with foreign leaders, getting to know them as colleagues and friends. This was not President Obama's strong suit, and it hurt him. Trump is viewed largely with alarm by our allies in Europe, Latin America and Asia, but his oversized personality may help him overcome the skepticism.

And speaking of personality, one big question is whether Trump can temper his temperament. By a 64-percent-to-34-percent margin, exit polls found voters saying Trump lacked the "temperament to serve." He has all the worrisome traits of a narcissist: an overwhelming desire to be loved and a need to punish people who criticize him. He probably won the election by keeping these urges in check during the final week or two of the campaign. That is a lesson for his time in office as well. If he forgets it, this country will be at serious risk.

In 2008, I was working in the State Department as an appointee of President George W. Bush. I loved the job, and one day, when I was lucky enough to have a meeting with him, I gushed to the president, "Thank you for letting me work for you!" I was surprised when President Bush seemed a bit irritated. He snapped back, "You don't work for me. You work for the American people." He was, as usual, dead right.

President Obama has shown in recent days that the best way to work for the American people is to give Donald Trump the kind of support, moral and intellectual, that every president needs. All of us—including former Republican officeholders who, like me, voted for Hillary Clinton—should be doing the same.

James K. Glassman, a former undersecretary of state for public diplomacy and public affairs, was founding executive director of the George W. Bush Institute in Dallas from 2009 to 2013. He wrote this for the Dallas Morning News.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A day made bright

Cultural Day is always a happy day. Many *man'amko's* memories store all those golden days of their youth, when they were young and strong. Best Sunshine made it possible once more with their very well delivered Cultural Day effort. Thanks to them.

Under their design, all decorated with flowers and other ornaments, our congregation hall looked solemn and neat. Holding in my arms my better half, all dressed in our wedding attire, and dancing one of our beloved dances returned us back to our honeymoon times. I felt like I was getting married to her again!

The *man'amko's* respected and beloved Ms. Masako performed her Okinawan dance under the bright and original Japa-

'Give Trump a chance'

How did we get President-elect Donald Trump? For years both political parties were busy making promises but had no intention of keeping them. It took a mob-mentality man to wake us up. That's how we got President-elect Donald Trump. I pray he

nese lady cloth, with proper Japanese music. The gathering enjoyed it a lot.

Rosalia Sablan and our King Assuncion danced to a Philip-pines folk music and earned people's kudos. Maria Salinas, Darling Cabrera and Maria Wankit showed their beautiful attire and lots of photos were taken,

Trukese fellows Sanny and Ms. Flora showed us the beauty of their national dance. Others had on nicely designed clothes. The remarkable food was delivered by a respectful sponsor. The *man'amko* also appreciated lawmakers Ed Propst, Roman Benavente, and Edmond Villagomez who visited us, showing their respect to us.

Maybe I have been talking of Cultural Day a little too much. Our thanks go to the nice sponsors from Best Sunshine. We appreciated your being with us!

Teddy Guaio

Navy Hill, Saipan

listens to the voters who got him elected and I pray he makes an all-out effort to deliver on his many promises. In other words, give the man a chance!

Herb Stark

Mooreville, NC

Fund respite services to our caregivers now'

This is National Caregivers Month and, with the holiday season coming up during the next two months, a gift of respite services would certainly be welcomed by those persons caring for persons who need assistance with daily living or who are no longer able to care for themselves.

The Commonwealth Respite Service Program was established by the Council on Developmental Disabilities pursuant to Public Law 14-36 (*see* 3 CMC § 2431-2438) in 2004, more than 12 years ago. The Commonwealth Respite Service Program Administration Rules and Regulations, NMIAC 75-60.1 et seq., have been in effect since 2014, for more than two years.

However, funding has not been provided to enable Ayuda Network, Inc. (the community-based organization responsible for the Respite Care Program at this time) to provide respite care services envisioned by the drafters of the law and regulations.

Now would be a good time to take immediate action to provide the needed funding to provide respite services to our care-

givers in the Commonwealth.

The Legislature will no doubt claim that there are insufficient funds; however, if that is the case, then alternatives should be considered.

For example, what about a Respite Care Tax Credit? Something similar to the Education Tax Credit (*see* 4 CMC § 1205) with cash contributions to Ayuda Network, Inc., not for administration but for the specific limited purpose of compensating respite service providers?






For more information on the Commonwealth Respite Care Program, contact Ayuda Network, Inc., (670) 322-7469 or ayudanet@ayuda-cnmi.org. For assistance or information regarding the rights of persons with disabilities, contact Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy Systems, Inc. at (670) 235-7273 or 7274.

Jeanne Rayphand

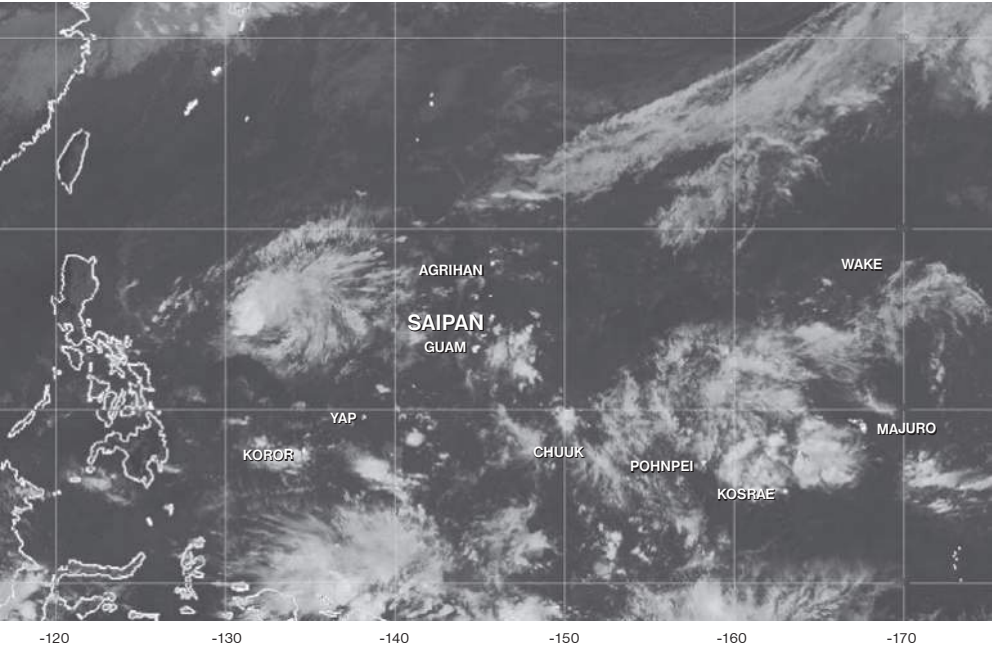
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The Weather

5-DAY FORECAST FOR SAIPAN AND TINIAN

TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Partly sunny with isolated thunderstorms.	 Mostly sunny with isolated showers. East winds 15 to 20 mph.	 Mostly cloudy with isolated showers.	 Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	 Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
▲ 89° ▼ 78°	▲ 89° ▼ 78°	▲ 88° ▼ 79°	▲ 87° ▼ 79°	▲ 87° ▼ 79°

YESTERDAY'S SATELLITE IMAGE



PICTURE TIME: 6:12 AM, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2016
Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

Andersen Air Force Base Doppler weather radar shows isolated showers moving through the Marianas waters. An area of scattered showers is developing east of the coastal zones but is not very large in size. The VAD wind profile reveals east-southeast winds of 5 to 15 knots through the lowest 6 thousand feet of the air. Above this the winds turn toward the east-northeast and build to between 15 and 25 knots. As the remains of Tropical Depression 28W move over Guam today, looks like it has primarily devolved into an area of mid-level cloudiness and slightly enhanced winds.

Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: www.prh.noaa.gov/guam/

MICRONESIA ▼ ▲		
Guam and Rota	Strong thunderstorms	82 / 89 °F
Palau	Partly sunny	80 / 86 °F
Yap	Partly sunny	79 / 88 °F
Chuuk	Partly sunny	80 / 87 °F
Pohnpei	Mostly cloudy	78 / 85 °F
Kosrae	Afternoon clouds	83 / 87 °F
Majuro	Partly sunny	80 / 84 °F

AROUND THE GLOBE ▼ ▲		
Auckland	Mostly cloudy	61 / 65 °F
Beijing	High level clouds	21 / 45 °F
Hong Kong	Morning clouds	73 / 81 °F
Honolulu	Partly cloudy	72 / 79 °F
London	Mostly cloudy	56 / 60 °F
Los Angeles	Haze	59 / 78 °F
Manila	Mostly cloudy	81 / 91 °F
Melbourne	Decreasing cloudiness	50 / 62 °F
Miami	Rain	67 / 74 °F
New York	Overcast	48 / 53 °F
Osaka	Decreasing cloudiness	50 / 68 °F
Paris	Mostly cloudy	45 / 54 °F
Pusan	Morning clouds	42 / 60 °F
Rome	Morning clouds	37 / 57 °F
Salem	Overcast	46 / 53 °F
San Francisco	Haze	54 / 64 °F
Seoul	High level clouds	30 / 45 °F
Tokyo	Rain showers	51 / 66 °F
Washington, DC	Morning clouds	42 / 59 °F



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Anonymous tips can now be submitted through the following:

- Call 234-7272 (PAPA) on any telephone
- *11 on any IT&E cellular phone
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1:47 AM	LOW TIDE	-0.47 Feet
8:25 AM	HIGH TIDE	2.1 Feet
2:09 PM	LOW TIDE	0.86 Feet
7:26 PM	HIGH TIDE	2.14 Feet

SUNRISE / SUNSET		
Today	6:19 AM	5:44 PM
Wednesday	6:19 AM	5:44 PM
Thursday	6:20 AM	5:44 PM
Friday	6:20 AM	5:44 PM
Saturday	6:21 AM	5:44 PM

MOONRISE / MOONSET		
Today	6:35 PM	6:38 AM
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UA6394	4:15am	5:05am	Daily	UA6393	2:45am	3:35am	Daily
UA6392	8:40am	9:30am	Daily	UA6395	7:15am	8:05am	Daily
UA6391	1:30pm	3:10pm	1, 4, 5, 7 via Rota	UA6391	12:10pm	1:00pm	1, 4, 5, 7
UA6390	2:20pm	3:10pm	2, 3, 6	UA6390	12:10pm	1:50pm	2, 3, 6 via Rota
UA6398	6:05pm	6:55pm	Daily	UA6397	4:45pm	5:35pm	Daily
UA6396	9:50pm	10:40pm	Daily	UA6399	8:30pm	9:20pm	Daily
SAIPAN-ROTA (ROP)				GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP)			
UA6391	1:30pm	2:05pm	1, 4, 5, 7	UA6390	12:10pm	12:45pm	2, 3, 6
ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM)				ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN			
UA6391	2:35pm	3:10pm	1, 4, 5, 7	UA6390	1:15pm	1:50pm	2, 3, 6
SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)				NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN			
DL297	4:20pm	7:00pm	Daily	DL298	10:30am	3:05pm	Daily
SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)				SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN			
OZ626	2:20am	6:00am	1	LJ651	7:30am	1:10pm	Daily
OZ626	2:50am	6:30am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	7C3402	9:30am	3:00pm	Daily
7C3403	4:45am	8:30am	Daily	OZ625	7:40pm	1:10am+1	7
LJ652	2:10pm	6:05pm	Daily	OZ625	8:15pm	1:45am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
7C3401	4:00pm	7:45pm	Daily	7C3404	10:10pm	3:40am+1	Daily
SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS)				BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN			
OZ608	3:10am	6:20am	4, 7	OZ607	9:05pm	1:55am+1	3, 6
SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)				SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN			
3U8648	6:10am	8:40am	1, 4, 5, 7	3U8647	10:40pm	5:00am+1	3, 4, 6, 7
SAIPAN-BEIJING (PEK)				BEIJING (PEK)-SAIPAN			
MU764	1:30am	6:35am	3, 5, 7	MU763	4:40pm	12:30am+1	2, 4, 6
SAIPAN-GUANGZHOU (CAN)				GUANGZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN			
3U8646	4:20am	7:30am	2, 6	3U8645	7:40pm	3:00am+1	1, 5
SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)				MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN			
OZ626/701	2:20am	11:05am	1 via ICN	UA190/6397	9:55am	5:35pm	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
OZ626/701	2:50am	11:05am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN	OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
UA6394/191	4:15am	8:55am	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM	OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:45am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
UA6394/PR111	4:15am	9:15am	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via GUM	PR1571	9:20pm	3:35am+1	3, 7
PR1572	4:35am	6:45am	1, 4	UA192/6395	9:45pm	8:05am+1	2, 5 via ROR-GUM
UA6391/183	1:30pm	8:50pm	5 via Rota-GUM	PR110/UA6395	10:05pm	8:05am+1	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via GUM
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UA6391/193	1:30pm	10:35pm	5 via Rota-GUM-ROR	UA184/6395	11:30pm	8:05am+1	2, 5 via GUM
UA6390/183	2:20pm	8:50pm	2 via GUM				
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UA6390/193	2:20pm	10:35pm	2 via GUM-ROR				
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OZ626/721	2:50am	11:50am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN	HX076	5:30pm	12:30am+1	3, 7
UA6391/159	1:30pm	9:55pm	1, 5 via Rota-GUM	UA116/6395	9:55pm	8:05am+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
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During the month of October, you joined the movement to end Domestic Violence. Your partnership and support sent a clear message that violence has NO place in our commonwealth. We salute YOU!

Although Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) has ended, much remains to be done. Thank you for embracing October as an opportunity to advocate for a safer home and community especially for our children. Ending the silence of domestic violence truly takes our collective voices. We hope you will continue to speak out with us and empower others to do so.



We would like to express our most heartfelt thanks to the individuals who bravely spoke out and shared their stories of courage and strength throughout the month. Your remarkable courage instilled a sense of hope and empowerment for many!

We also recognize our first responders, service providers, and advocates who continue work diligently to serve victims, survivors, and their families.

Last but not least, the Northern Marianas Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence and the Family Violence Task Force express their sincere appreciation and gratitude to all the following volunteers, donors, and partners for their tremendous support during DVAM.

Thank You, Si Yu'us Ma'ase, Ghilisow Reemi!



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- Pacific Flowers
- Pastor Eric Abragan
- Pastor Femie Rey
- Pastor John Manglona
- Pastor Lito Rey
- Pat Falig
- Paula C. Bermudes
- Pauline Bondoc
- Pete Aldan & Family
- Phillip Mendiola-Long & Bridge Investment Group
- Raelynn Iglecias
- Regina Terlaje
- Representative Angel Demapan
- Representative Antonio Sablan
- Representative Edmund Villagomez
- Ritalina Satur
- Riza Jingco
- Rose Lazaro
- Rota Public Information Office
- Rotaract Club of Saipan
- Sabrina Calvo
- Saipan Awaodori Team
- Saipan Music & Dance Studio
- Saipan Southern High School
- Saipan Southern High School - JROTC Manta Ray Battalion
- San Francisco De Borja - Church Parish Council
- San Antonio Community
- Shelaina Ito
- Shelane Borja
- Shelli Neal
- Shorettalayne Mendiola
- Sinapalo Elementary School
- Sophia Geisinger
- Sr. Stella Mangona
- Suzanne Jetnil
- Sylvia San Nicolas
- Taylor Ada
- Tessa Diaz
- The Family of Ana Maria Limes
- The Family of Erlinse Santos
- The Family of Francisca Camacho
- The Family of Joanna Vitug
- The Family of Leonor Miranda
- The Family of Rosalia Teigita
- The Family of Vicky Ann Igitol
- Tiana Jaimatoon
- Tinian Elementary School
- Tinian Elementary School - National Elementary Honor Society
- Tinian Health Center
- Tinian Health Center - Public Health Team
- Tinian Health Center-CGC Partnership for Success
- Tinian Junior Senior High School
- Tinian Junior Senior High School - JROTC
- Tinian Junior Senior High School - National Honor Society
- Tom Thornburgh
- Tan Siu Lin Foundation
- U.S. Marine Corps
- Verina Saralu
- Vivian Hofschneider
- Vivian Sablan
- Wilma Villanueva
- Zania Fleming

Island Snapshots



Local cadets and active officers join Brig. Gen. Stephen K. Curda, commander of the 9th Mission Support Command in Fort Shafter, Hawaii, after the Veterans Day rites at the American Memorial Park on Nov. 11.

ERWIN ENCINARES



Acting governor Victor Hocog, right, and Brig. Gen. Stephen K. Curda, left, commander of the 9th Mission Support Command in Fort Shafter, Hawaii, are assisted by cadet Nicole Malasarte as they offer a wreath at the American Memorial Park circle of honor as part of the Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11.

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Participants in the Veterans Day ceremonies at the American Memorial Park have their picture taken after the Veterans Day rites on Nov. 11.

ERWIN ENCINARES



Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) and acting mayor Antonia Tudela present a congressional commendation to a Vietnam veteran during the Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11, at the American Memorial Park.

MACKENZIE PEREZ



The flags of the 50 states and territories of the United States are on display at the American Memorial Park grounds as part of the Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11.

MACKENZIE PEREZ



Marianas High School teacher John Davis, right, receives a certificate from Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP), center, and acting mayor Antonia Tudela.

MACKENZIE PEREZ



Acting governor Victor Hocog, Brig. Gen. Stephen K. Curda, commander of the 9th Mission Support Command in Fort Shafter, Hawaii, Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP), and acting mayor Antonia Tudela are joined by veterans at the American Memorial Park circle of honor as part of the Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11.

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Harry Nakamura wins JKPL golf tournament

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Harry Nakamura, recreational facility attendant at Lao Lao Bay Golf & Resort, won the second annual golf tournament hosted by the Friends of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library.

"It feels good! I've been playing golf for about five to six years now and I actually started playing for the possibility of earning money. However, with the cash prize I won today, I plan on giving it back to my sponsor," Nakamura said.

Nakamura had a net score of 68.80, making a 39 on the front nine and a 37 on the back with a handicap of 7.20.

Second place went to Nick Sablan with a net score of 70 and a handicap of 6 after hitting a pair of 38s. "We were all playing out here for a good cause. I just wanted to give back and help the kids utilize

the library to become better members of society."

Feng Chun Jin was third with a net score of 70.60 and a handicap of 2.40, logging a 36 on the front and 37 on the back, while David Largent was fourth with a net score of 72 and a handicap of 6 after firing a pair of 39s. Seung Woo Kang finished in fifth place with a net score of 72.20 and handicap of 4.8 as he drilled a 38 and 39 on the front and back nines, respectively.

Show time started at 6:30am with tee time at 7:30am. Lunch as well as raffle prizes were also offered post game.

One attendee, Ed Manibusan, said, "It's great to be here to donate for a worthy cause and you know, just being with friends so the competition itself really is secondary."

Alex Palacios, manager for Imperial Pacific's Corporate Social Responsibility team, said, "We saw an amazing turnout today. This



is the second annual golf tournament to help benefit JKPL. We're happy to collaborate with them and hope to continue that partnership for the upcoming years."

Erlinda Naputi, acting director for JKPL, said, "The turnout was pretty good. We weren't expecting this many participants; we were looking at about 50. With the outcome today, it's evident everyone is here for the library and they're

Harry Taitano Nakamura Jr. poses for a photo after receiving news of his victory over other participants in the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library-benefitting golf tournament at Lao Lao Bay Golf & Resort on Nov. 12.
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in support for the library."

"We would like to extend our deepest appreciation for all our attendees, sponsors, donors, volunteers and off island golfers. Our corporate sponsor, Imperial Pacific, even donated cash and employees to support us on site. Without all of them, the golf tournament would not have been as successful as it was," Naputi said.

The winners for the longest drive were Joe Itibus for hole No. 3, Tars Olopai for hole No. 7, Joey Dela Cruz for hole No. 13, Jeon Young Im for hole No. 17 and almost winning the 5,000 cash prize, and Kang Seung Woo for hole No. 10. Each one received a \$200 cash prize.

'Trump presidency' teach-in tomorrow in Guam

In the early morning hours of Election Day in the United States, news outlets ranging from the *Los Angeles Times* to *USA Today* reported the results of Guam's straw poll, in which Hillary Clinton handily defeated Donald Trump, 72 percent to 24 percent. Guam received this attention because although the people of Guam cannot officially vote for president, since 1980, Guam's straw poll has predicted who would win the election. As polls closed across the U.S. and the counting began, island residents were shocked to see their predictive powers had failed this election—Republican Donald Trump defeated Democrat Hillary Clinton.

Rather than elect its historic first female president, the U.S. instead elected its most unqualified president in its history, as Trump has no government or military experience. Throughout his campaign, Trump showed himself to be temperamentally unfit for the presidency by engaging in dangerously divisive rhetoric rife with racism, sexism and xenophobia. Thus his victory has sent shockwaves of uncertainty throughout the U.S., its territories and the world.

Despite the promise Donald Trump made during the Republican primary to not "ignore the territories," the results of Guam's straw poll clearly indicate that the people of this island do not feel that his behavior or his policies are aligned with our culture or values. By electing Trump, the U.S. has placed itself on a

potentially dangerous course, where there is great potential for social, economic and political instability. As a possession of the U.S., we had no say in Trump's election and we will continue to have no control over what policies he or the U.S. Congress might soon create.

As we have had our own election recently and a slate of new candidates will be joining *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, this moment seems ripe for new approaches and new ideas. Across social media, thousands of posts appeared this week from people from Guam of all ages expressing their disagreement with the election of Donald Trump. But rather than discussing moving to a foreign country, they instead reflected on Guam's political status and the need to change it. With the future of the U.S. uncertain, perhaps this is the time to seize our own destiny. To push for a new political status that will prioritize our own interests and align with our own values. It is imperative that the island use this moment to take stock of what our next steps must be.

Independent Guåhan will be hosting a teach-in entitled, "What does a Trump presidency mean for Guam?" today, Nov. 15 from 6pm to 7:30pm at the University of Guam's English and Communications building in room 110.

For more information, contact Independent Guåhan media chairperson Dr. Michael Lujan Bevacqua at (671) 988-7106, or email independent-guahan@gmail.com. (PR)

Triple J sponsors public library golf tournament

Triple J Saipan recently sponsored the Closest to the Pin Prize for the 2nd Joeten-Kiyu Public Library Golf Tournament Fundraiser on Nov. 12 at Lao Lao Bay Golf & Resort.

The golf tournament saw a turnout of over 80 participants. Given many of the recent challenges the public library has faced, the donations collected from this tourna-

ment will greatly improve all free programs such as e-book access, read-aloud for children, summer reading activities, family movie day, tutoring services, cultural classes, computer literacy classes, free Internet access and free WiFi connectivity. Also, with their Bookmobile Outreach Program, the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library can reach and

serve community members in many underprivileged and underserved areas.

"Bringing free educational programs to the community should be our top priority here on Saipan. Many of our community are in remote areas, unable to access certain amenities. Books should never be one of those," said Mike Sablan, vice president

of Finance and Business Administration.

In 2015, a total of 66,084 patrons visited JKPL, 25,000 of which were school-aged children and teens. They circulated 43,998 library materials (print and non-print) with 38,224 registered patrons. The Bookmobile Outreach Program reached out to 5,000 community members. (PR)

Sexual harassment problem in Pacific but little robust data

NADI, Fiji—Sexual harassment is a problem in the Pacific but very little data exist to give a true picture of the extent of the problem.

Police officers attending the 4th Police Regional Training Program discussed sexual harassment and rape as part of the two-week workshop.

Funded by the Australian Federal Police and facilitated by the Fiji Women's Crisis Center, the training course aims to equip officers with a thorough understanding of gender dynamics, the causes of violence against women and the relevant laws designed to combat gender-based violence.

A cohort of 30 police officers from 11 Pacific countries are attending the training workshop to help them understand violence against women and to deal sensitively with such cases.

The officers acknowledged that their institutions, like other organizations, have a sexual harassment problem.

Sometime those subjected to sexual harassment are unaware that they do not have to tolerate unwanted sexual behavior.

The participants discussed the importance of having a sexual harassment policy in their workplaces so that everybody was clear on what



Cook Islands Police Service constables Teveka Taru and Tuangaru Jean Rimatuu during the Police Regional Training Program taking place in Nadi, Fiji.
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was acceptable and unacceptable behavior.

Asked if the officers' organizations had sexual harassment policies and whether they had seen them, many of the participants were unsure or said they did not have such policies.

The training facilitator, FWCC coordinator Shamaima Ali, warned the participants not to participate in or ignore sexual harassment because in serious cases such behavior

could lead to rape.

Officers shared the experiences in their countries, including the similarities of in-house complaints of sexual harassment as well as the laws in place to tackle the problem.

Several officers reported the laws in their country had now been strengthened to increase sentencing tariffs and widening definitions of sexual harassment and other sexual offences.

Other discussions focused on myths about what causes rape, including the myth that how women were dressed or behaved caused the rape. Police officers acknowledged they inadvertently shifted the blame to the survivor of rape instead of focusing on the criminal offence committed by the perpetrator.

The workshop runs on Nov. 7-18 and is being held at the Hexagon Hotel in Nadi. (PR)

Business

Giuliani says Trump kids could run 'blind trust'

WASHINGTON (AP)—A top adviser to President-elect Donald Trump says it would be “unrealistic” to purge his children from his businesses and hand their control over to an independent trustee.

Appearing on televised interviews on Sunday, Rudy Giuliani initially said Trump should set up “some kind of blind trust.” When pressed, Giuliani told CNN’s “State of the Union” that Trump’s unusual situation might call for more flexibility than a traditional blind trust and involve his three children.

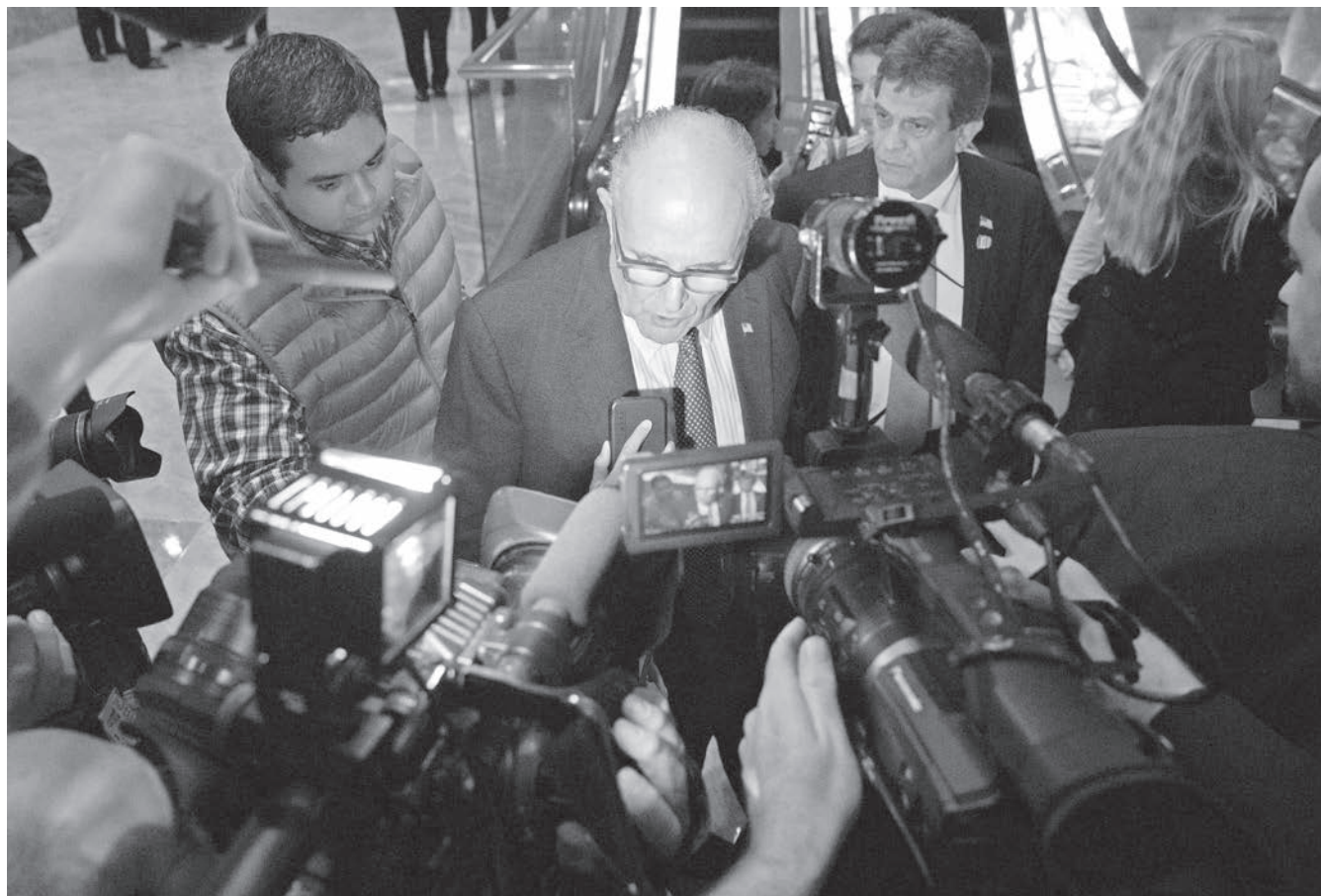
“I think he’s in a very unusual situation,” Giuliani said. “He would basically put his children out of work” if he didn’t involve them, Giuliani said.

He says the children would then have to “start a whole new business and that would set up ... new problems.”

Giuliani said Trump’s three adult children—Ivanka, Donald Jr. and Eric—who are involved in his businesses would not advise Trump once he becomes president in January. All three children are, however, are on the executive committee of Trump’s transition team.

Giuliani said after the inauguration “there will have to be a wall” between Trump’s children and Trump “with regard to government matters.”

One possibility to separate Trump from his businesses



AP
Former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, center, speaks with reporters as he leaves Trump Tower, Friday, Nov. 11, 2016, in New York.

without removing his children would be a “legal or clear document that meant that he would not be involved, he would have no interest in it, he would have no input into it, (and) he would just have a passive interest,” Giuliani said.

Trump’s vast corporate empire could lead to questions about potential conflicts of interest—that decisions he

makes as president could benefit him and his family financially unless a traditional blind trust is created.

Trump has a direct stake in more than 500 companies, according to his disclosures with the Federal Election Commission. The full extent of his holdings and income are still unclear because the president-elect refused to release his tax forms, saying that they are be-

Washington rejects carbon tax, but backers are undeterred

SEATTLE (AP)—Washington’s carbon tax initiative was billed as a bipartisan approach to curbing carbon emissions. But voters in this progressive state roundly rejected the measure that drew opposition from the fossil fuel industry and, more surprisingly, many major environmental groups.

The proposed tax on carbon emissions from fossil fuels such as coal and gasoline would have been the first in the U.S., and sponsors hoped it would serve as a model for actions across the country.

The measure failed by a vote of 59 to 41 percent, but backers said their efforts spurred urgent conversations about climate change in an election year where the issue got little national attention.

“Our campaign all along said, ‘We’re going to take a swing at the ball,’ and we did that. But the game is not over,” said Yoram Bauman, an economist who founded Carbon Washington, the grassroots group behind Initiative 732. “Our group and other folks will look for other opportuni-

ties to try to take action.”

A state group representing businesses said voters rejected a flawed proposal that would have driven up energy prices for families, workers and employers.

Initiative 732 would have started taxing carbon emissions at \$15 a metric ton in July, gone up to \$25 the next year and gradually increased until it hit a maximum of \$100 a ton. Money from the tax, which would be paid by power plants and fuel importers, would have been used to reduce the state sales tax, virtually eliminate business taxes for manufacturers and return a rebate to many working families.

It had the support of many economists, climate activists, state Democrats and scientists such as James Hansen, the former NASA climate scientist often considered the godfather of global warming research.

“Among economists, one of the most frustrating parts of the election was the fact that environmentalists didn’t seem to get behind this as much as we hoped that they would,” said

Christopher Knittel, professor of applied economics at MIT’s Sloan School of Management.

Left-leaning groups that opposed the measure said they support climate action, but I-732 was a “false solution” that would hurt the poor. They said it wrongly focused on tax cuts rather than investing money in clean energy projects and communities hardest hit by climate change.

“The burden would be on those who can least afford it,” said Rebecca Saldana, executive director for Puget Sound Sage, part of a coalition that has been working on a parallel effort in the state. “Washington will continue to lead. We led by having something on the ballot, and now we’ll lead by getting something that works.”

Saldana’s group and others in the Alliance for Jobs and Clean Energy are planning to bring a similar tax on carbon pollution to the Washington Legislature next year—though their version would redirect money to clean energy projects and low-income and minority communities.

If co-workers can’t meet deadlines, don’t accept their work

Q: Every month, I publish an internal newsletter containing articles submitted by 10 employees from different parts of the company. This information is always due on the first of the month, but two of my “reporters” never meet the deadline. Sending them reminders doesn’t help at all.

As a result, I have to delay publication of the newsletter until their material finally arrives. This not only creates issues with printing and delivery, but it also makes me look bad. How can I make my reminders more effective?

A: People who ignore deadlines drive their more-organized colleagues absolutely nuts. Unfortunately, new and improved reminders are not likely to be the solution. As long as you continue accepting late material, these inconsiderate co-workers will continue ignoring your pleas.

Instead, you must take your power back by refusing to let the stragglers dictate your schedule. Inform all reporters that the publication deadline will now be strictly enforced, even if some articles are missing. If you stick to your guns, either the procrastinators will learn to be more prompt, or you will learn that they need to be replaced.

Previously, you may have rejected this approach because you fear having empty pages. However, the key is

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to create a workable back-up plan. Locate substitute material to use as a replacement. Simplify layout adjustments by putting the tardy people at the end. If these are regular features, insert a note indicating they were not available.

If you lack the authority to make these decisions, explain the problem to your boss and ask for support. To regain control, you must stop coddling these laggards. So, if they remain unreliable, the ultimate solution is to find some new reporters.

Q: One of my co-workers is a total slacker. “Melanie” has been here long enough to know exactly what’s expected, but she avoids extra work by saying no one told her what to do. If Melanie dislikes certain tasks, she will complain to our supervisor that they are too complicated for her. Then those unpleasant duties are given to the rest of us.

People say Melanie gets special treatment because she has friends in management. She is even allowed

to wear inappropriate attire, a blatant violation of our dress code. This obvious favoritism has everyone upset. I’m ready to go to human resources but would like to get your advice.

A: Since you’re looking for advice, here are three suggestions. First, pick your battles wisely. Instead of unleashing a torrent of accusations about favoritism, friendships and dress code violations, stay focused on the unequal distribution of tasks.

Second, talk about issues that matter to management. If you can show how Melanie’s refusal to do her job is adversely affecting quality, costs, schedules or customers, you are more likely to get their attention.

Finally, don’t become the messenger. If you are the sole complainer, your HR manager may view this as a personality conflict, so take some concerned colleagues along. Otherwise, you might discover why “killing the messenger” became such a popular phrase.

Nation

Trump names Priebus, Bannon to senior White House roles

WASHINGTON (AP)—President-elect Donald Trump made his first two key personnel appointments on Sunday, one an overture to Republican circles by naming GOP chief Reince Priebus as his White House chief of staff, the other a shot across the bow of the Washington establishment by tabbing Breitbart news executive Stephan Bannon as chief strategist and senior counselor.

The two men had made up the president-elect's chief of staff shortlist, and while Priebus received that job, Bannon's post also is expected to wield significant clout. The media executive with ties to the alt-right and white nationalist movement was given top billing in the press release announcing their appointments.

Trump's hires were, at first glance, contradictory, though they fit a pattern of the celebrity businessman creating a veritable Rorschach test that allowed his supporters to see what they wanted. Priebus,

who lashed the RNC to Trump this summer despite some intraparty objections, is a GOP operative with deep expertise of the Washington establishment that Trump has vowed to shake up. He has close ties to House Speaker Paul Ryan, a fellow Wisconsinite.

"I am very grateful to the president-elect for this opportunity to serve him and this nation as we work to create an economy that works for everyone, secure our borders, repeal and replace Obamacare and destroy radical Islamic terrorism," Priebus said in the statement announcing his appointment.

Bannon, meanwhile, helped transform the Breitbart news site into the leading mouthpiece of the party's anti-establishment wing, which helped fuel the businessman's political rise. Ryan has been one of his most frequent targets.

"Steve and Reince are highly qualified leaders who worked well together on our campaign and led us to a historic victory," Trump said. "Now I will have them both with me in the White



In this Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2016, file photo, President-elect Donald Trump, center, shakes hands with Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus during an election night rally in New York.

have been concerned about having a controversial figure in the chief of staff role and backed Priebus for the job.

In announcing the appointments, Trump said Priebus and Bannon would work as "equal partners"—effectively creating two power centers in the West Wing. The arrangement is risky and could leave ambiguity over who makes final decisions.

Trump has long encouraged rivalries, both in business and in his presidential campaign. He cycled through three campaign managers during his White House run, creating a web of competing alliances among staffers.

Trump win resets culture war debate on abortion, LGBT rights

NEW YORK (AP)—For the combatants in America's long-running culture wars, the triumph of Donald Trump and congressional Republicans was stunning—sparking elation on one side, deep dismay on the other.

Advocates of LGBT rights and abortion rights now fear setbacks instead of further gains. But the outcome emboldened the anti-abortion movement and breathed new life into the religious right's campaign for broad exemptions from same-sex marriage and other laws.

Kelly Shackelford, head of First Liberty Institute, a legal group that specializes in religious freedom cases, said that, for his cause, the environment will transform from "brutal" under the Obama administration to friendly given GOP control of both Congress and the White House. His clients include two Christian bakers in Oregon who were fined for refusing to bake a cake for a same-sex wedding.

"Many of us who fight for religious freedom have felt in the last four or even eight years there was a lot of overreaching that was wrong," said Shackelford, who was among hundreds of religious conservatives who met with Trump last June. "To have someone who is president-elect, who says I'm going to put an end to

this ... we're going to go back to a country built on religious freedom. That makes us very hopeful."

Among the election's repercussions will be a renewed campaign, in state legislatures and in Congress, to pass tough anti-abortion legislation. Religious conservatives will press for far-reaching conscience protections and a repeal of regulations they said violated their religious liberty. And the push to let transgender students use the bathroom of their choice at school, strongly backed by President Barack Obama, may wither in the face of GOP resistance.

"There's no question a lot of transgender students and their parents woke up Wednesday morning really scared," said Sarah McBride, a 26-year-old transgender activist who is national press secretary for the LGBT-rights group the Human Rights Campaign. "I'm feeling the way a lot of folks are feeling—worried that the heart of this country isn't big enough to love us, too."

McBride in July became the first openly transgender person to address a national political convention when she spoke to the Democrats' gathering in Philadelphia.

Comparable worries surfaced among abortion-rights supporters.

House as we work to make America great again."

Neither Priebus nor Bannon bring policy experience to their new White House roles. Chiefs of staff in partic-

Once in office, Trump can quickly alter Supreme Court agenda

WASHINGTON (AP)—Even before Donald Trump chooses a Supreme Court nominee, the new president can take steps to make several contentious court cases go away.

Legal challenges involving immigration, climate change, cost-free contraceptive care and transgender rights all could be affected, without any help from Congress.

The cases turn on Obama administration policies that rely on the president's pen, regulations or decisions made by federal agencies. And what one administration can do, the

ular play a significant role in policy making, serving as a liaison to Cabinet agencies and deciding what information makes it to the president's desk. They're often one of the

next can undo.

It is not uncommon for the court's docket to change when one party replaces the other in the White House. That change in direction is magnified by the high-court seat Trump will get to fill after Senate Republicans refused to consider President Barack Obama's nomination of Judge Merrick Garland.

"We were hoping we'd be looking forward to a progressive majority on the Supreme Court. After the election results, there is a new reality," said Elizabeth Wydra, president of the liberal Constitu-

tional Accountability Center.

The Supreme Court already is set to consider a case involving a transgender teen who was born female, but identifies as a male and wants to use the boys' bathroom at his Virginia high school. When the federal appeals court in Richmond ruled in student Gavin Grimm's favor this year, it relied on a determination by the U.S. Education Department that federal law prohibiting sex discrimination in education also applies to gender identity.

The new administration could withdraw the depart-

ment's guidance, which could cause the justices to return the case to the lower courts to reach their own decision about whether the law requires schools to allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms based on their gender identity.

"It is possible, maybe even likely, that if the first question went away, then the court would send case back to the 4th circuit" in Richmond, said Steven Shapiro, legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union, which represents Grimm.

Anti-Trump protests continue in New York, LA, Philadelphia

Trump protests across the U.S.

From New England to heartland cities like Kansas City, Mo., and along the West Coast, demonstrators denounce Donald Trump's election to the presidency.



Philadelphia's City Hall and then down Market Street to Independence Mall, carrying signs and chanting "Donald Trump has got to go!" and "This is what democracy looks like."

In Los Angeles, a few hun-

dred people gathered outside CNN's Los Angeles headquarters, and in San Francisco, hundreds of people, including many families with children, marched from Golden Gate Park to Ocean Beach chant-

ing "Love trumps hate!" By nightfall, a few hundred people marched across downtown San Francisco's main street, blocking traffic at an intersection when they held a sit-down protest.

Elsewhere in California, about 800 people marched through Sacramento and thousands others formed a human chain around the nearly 3.5-mile perimeter of Oakland's Lake Merritt. Rallies in Oakland have at times become unruly, but those who came to the lake held hands and chanted, "We reject the president-elect."

In Oregon, police said they arrested 71 people late Saturday and early Sunday during anti-Trump protests downtown.

The Portland Police Bureau said most protesters were cited for disorderly conduct and failing to obey an officer.

Asia

Powerful earthquake strikes New Zealand, killing 2 people

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP)—A powerful earthquake that rocked New Zealand on Monday triggered landslides and a small tsunami, cracked apart roads and homes and left two people dead, but largely spared the country the devastation it saw five years ago when a deadly earthquake struck the same region.

Strong aftershocks continued to shake the country on Monday, rattling the nerves of exhausted residents, many of whom had spent a sleepless night huddled outside after fleeing for higher ground to avoid the tsunami waves.

The magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck the South Island just after midnight in a mostly rural area that's dotted with small towns. Near the epicenter, it opened up snaking fissures in roads and sparked landslides.

The quake caused damage in Wellington, the capital, more than 200 kilometers (120



AP
People evacuated from buildings along Dixon Street stand on the street in Wellington after a 6.6 earthquake based around Cheviot in the South island shock the capital, New Zealand, Monday, Nov. 14, 2016.

miles) to the north. It was also strongly felt to the south in the city of Christchurch, which was devastated by an earthquake in 2011 that killed 185 people. Residents said the shaking went on for about three minutes.

Police said one person died in the small coastal town of Kaikoura and another in Mt. Lyford, a nearby ski resort. Several other people had re-

portedly suffered minor injuries in Kaikoura, police spokeswoman Rachel Purdom said.

Prime Minister John Key flew over the destruction in Kaikoura by helicopter on Monday afternoon, as aftershocks kicked up dust from the landslides below. Cars could be seen lying on their sides and parts of the road were clearly impassable.

Report: South Korea prosecutors likely to question president

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—South Korean prosecutors are likely to question President Park Geun-hye this week over suspicion that she let a shadowy longtime confidante manipulate power from behind the scenes, South Korea's Yonhap news agency reported Sunday.

If would be the first time that a sitting president has been questioned by prosecutors. The explosive scandal is the most serious challenge for Park, whose public apologies have done little to calm public anger.

Yonhap's Korean-language service quoted an unidentified prosecution official as saying prosecutors want to question Park face-to-face on either Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest. The report said that prosecutors conveyed their position to Park's office and were awaiting a response.

The president's office had no immediate comment on the report.

In addition to allegedly manipulating power, the president's confidante, Choi Soon-sil, the daughter of a late cult leader who emerged as Park's

mentor in the 1970s, is also suspected of exploiting her presidential ties to bully companies into donating tens of millions of dollars to foundations she controlled.

Choi was formally arrested on Nov. 3 on charges of fraud and abuse of power. Prosecutors have until Nov. 20 to formally charge her.

On Saturday, hundreds of thousands of people flooded Seoul's streets to demand Park's resignation in what may be South Korea's largest protest since it shook off dictatorship three decades ago.

China's Xi reaffirms US relations in talk with Trump

BEIJING (AP)—Chinese President Xi Jinping has reaffirmed the importance of relations with the United States in a phone conversation with President-elect Donald Trump. State media reports say Xi congratulated Trump on his election in their Monday talk and said cooperation was the "only correct choice" for China and the U.S., the world's two biggest economies. Trump had accused China of unfair trade practices and currency manipulation during the election campaign, threatening to slap a 45 percent tariff on all Chinese imports. Despite that, Chinese state

media largely favored Trump over his Democratic Party rival Hillary Clinton. She was disliked in Beijing over her promotion of the U.S. "pivot" to Asia that is viewed by China's leaders as an attempt to contain their country's rise to global prominence.

Indonesia police: 2-year-old girl dies in attack on church

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)—Indonesian police said Monday that one of four young children injured by an Islamic militant's attack at a church on the island of Borneo has died. East Kalimantan police spokesman Fajar Setiawan said 2-year-old Ade Intan Marbun died from com-

plications after suffering burns to more than three quarters of her body. "It affected her respiratory system and efforts to save her failed and she died early Monday," said Setiawan. The attacker, identified by police as a 32-year-old former terror convict from the West Java town of Bogor, threw a Molotov cocktail from a motorcycle as he rode past Oikumene Church in Samarinda, the provincial capital of East Kalimantan province, on Sunday. The man was captured by locals after jumping into a nearby river. TV footage showed the injured man lying on the deck of a motorboat. He was wearing a black shirt emblazoned with the words "Jihad, Way of Life."

World

Violence in northern Syria kills 23

BEIRUT (AP)—At least 11 children were among 23 people killed Sunday in northern Syria as pro-government forces kept up their campaign against opposition areas in the country's north, while rebels shelled a government-held district in Aleppo city.

At least eight more people were killed in a suspected airstrike on a crossing point connecting Kurdish-held areas with rebel areas in northern Aleppo province, the Kurdish security force said.

The violence Sunday comes a day after government troops repelled a rebel offensive on western parts of Aleppo city launched in late October. State news agency SANA said the shelling of a western Aleppo district killed four people, including two women and a child.

Aleppo has been deeply

divided since 2012. The faltering rebel offensive was designed to break the siege on the opposition-held eastern Aleppo.

The government siege has left an estimated 275,000 people trapped with no aid allowed in since July, amid a punishing bombing campaign. The rebel offensive started after Russia, a major Syrian government ally, said it would halt airstrikes to allow rebels and supporters to leave eastern Aleppo. The rebels refused to take up the offer and the United Nations failed to negotiate allowing aid into the besieged area, amid wide anticipation of an imminent pro-government offensive.

Residents of eastern Aleppo said Sunday that for days they have received text messages urging them to leave in the next 24 hours. It was not possible to immediately

verify the authenticity of the messages or who sent them. Government aircraft had previously dropped fliers on the eastern districts also urging residents to leave and make use of the Russian-declared passageways to evacuate the besieged district.

Three residents said they received the messages Friday and Sunday throughout the day, denouncing the opposition and threatening residents with an attack.

As of Sunday evening, Syrian Civil Defense's Ibrahim al-Haj said government artillery shelling in the al-Salheen neighborhood of besieged eastern Aleppo killed a mother, her four children and her husband traveling in a car. Other shelling killed a child, a woman and three men in two different neighborhoods of the besieged territory, al-Haj said.

France marks 1 year since Paris attacks, wary and watched

PARIS (AP)—Less insouciant, more policed—France is a changed place since Islamic State extremists killed 130 people in the country's deadliest attacks a year ago. Fearing it's becoming more divided, too, survivors and victims' families marked Sunday's anniversary of the violence by pleading for national unity instead.

Tourism is hurting, armed forces roam streets and France is still under a state of emergency that rights groups call abusive and ineffective—and that the prime minister now says may be extended yet again.

"We always have this fear that weighs heavily in our

hearts. We always try to be careful. And every time we pass by here, we think of them," said Sabrina Nadjadi, paying respects Sunday at two cafes in her diverse eastern Paris neighborhood targeted in the attacks.

At midday, hundreds of balloons were released to honor the memories of the victims; at dusk, paper lanterns were released into the Canal Saint Martin, bearing red, white and blue lights representing the French tricolor. Onlookers, including many families with children, lined the canal and surrounding bridges, watching silently as the lanterns drifted.

Some fear that France

itself is adrift, its government unable to defeat the amorphous extremist enemy even as authorities encroach on liberties the French hold dear.

While French warplanes are targeting IS strongholds in Iraq and Syria, the state of emergency at home allows broadened police powers to search homes and monitor communications. But it could not prevent further attacks on France over the past year, including a truck rampage in Nice by a man claiming allegiance to IS. "Yes, terrorism will strike us again," Prime Minister Manuel Valls warned this weekend.

Report: carbon emissions flat in last 3 years

MARRAKECH, Morocco (AP)—Worldwide emissions of heat-trapping carbon dioxide have flattened out in the past three years, a new study showed Monday, raising hopes that the world is nearing a turning point in the fight against climate change.

However, the authors of the study cautioned it's unclear whether the slowdown in CO2 emissions, mainly caused by declining coal use in China, is a permanent trend or a temporary blip.

"It is far too early to proclaim we have reached a peak," said co-author Glen Peters, a senior researcher at the Center for International Climate and Environmental Research in Oslo.

The study, published in the journal Earth System Science

Data, says global CO2 emissions from fossil fuels and industry is projected to grow by just 0.2 percent this year.

That would mean emissions have leveled off at about 36 billion metric tons in the past three years even though the world economy has expanded, suggesting the historical bonds between economic gains and emissions growth may have been severed.

"This could be the turning point we have hoped for," said David Ray, a professor of carbon management at the University of Edinburgh, who was not involved with the study. "To tackle climate change those bonds must be broken and here we have the first signs that they are at least starting to loosen."

The authors of the study

attributed the slowdown mainly to a decrease in Chinese coal consumption since 2012. Coal is a major source of CO2 emissions.

Chinese emissions were down 0.7 percent in 2015 and are projected to fall 0.5 percent in 2016, the researchers said, though noting that Chinese energy statistics have been plagued by inconsistencies.

Peters said it remains unclear whether the Chinese slowdown was due to a restructuring of the Chinese economy or a sign of economic instability.

"Nevertheless, the unexpected reductions in Chinese emissions give hope that the world's biggest emitter can deliver much more ambitious emission reductions," he said.

ASIAN BRIEFS

Overdrive

AUTO REVIEW

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Why do full-size sedans have such ridiculous model names?

Outside the Dodge Charger, whose exciting-sounding name is appropriate given its muscle car past, most names in the segment of easy-going rides are problematic.

Consider the Toyota Avalon.

Most likely, it was named with the Roxy Music song in mind. But Avalon is also the name of the island of the dead in the King Arthur legends.

Also, would you call a full-size Ford a bull? Well, the Taurus has a Volvo-derived chassis, so perhaps it's an appropriate title, but I'm not entirely sure.

The name of Buick's biggest sedan, the LaCrosse, meanwhile, is definitely a head-scratcher, stemming from a French term meaning "game of hooked sticks." The automaker has been wise enough to change the model's name to Allure in Canada, where "lacrosse" has a dirty, slang-based meaning.

So excuse me if I was never overly excited about the Kia Cadenza.

Every time I saw the name, I heard some distant relative, the one with a voice that can shatter glass, yelling, "Lawrence, I told you to put that glass in the credenza." Eek.

Of course, my apprehension may have been due to the car itself.

The first generation wore a design that was sanitized for your protection and looked as exciting as the largely snore-inducing segment.

Did it really, I wondered when testing it, have to be so dull?

The answer arrives with the car's 2017 model. Neither the word Kia nor Caden-

Kia Cadenza

so beguiling, just ignore its name

TNS
Driving the 2017 Cadenza reveals the car to be well balanced.



za prepared me for how good it truly is.

These days, Kia, which built its reputation competing on price, competes on overall quality — but hasn't been able to totally shake its blue-plate-special image despite impressive products like the Soul, Optima and K900.

The 2017 Cadenza, however, is a better car than any of them.

Large for its segment, it feels grand while you pack its usefully shaped trunk or load passengers into its expansive cabin.

That interior, by the way, at least on the top-of-the-line SXL trim test car I drove, is beautifully finished with unbelievably soft leather, black carpeting, wood-grain trim and gray suede headliner.

Its infotainment and climate controls, meanwhile, are large and easy to use, conveniently positioned below an 8-inch touchscreen. And there's plenty of storage, including a mobile phone compartment with a USB port ahead of the shifter, a pair of cup holders and a large console bin.

The car is stuffed with technology features including power-folding outside mirrors, smart key access, rain-sensing windshield wipers, Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, and a heads-up display. That's not to mention its 630-watt, 12-speaker audio system.

Its drive, meanwhile, is well-balanced. It's no sports sedan — but neither is it a

soggy senior shuttle.

There's a sense of serenity about this car, with a ride that's quieter than a college library on a Saturday night. The suspension flattens out the lumpiest of roads, with the floatiness

typical of Korean cars kept in control without deterioration in ride comfort.

When you tap your inner Andretti and drive more aggressively, you'll find the Cadenza leans in corners but

hangs in there, remaining safely on course.

There's a driving mode select switch, but the car's Sport mode changes little, as the new eight-speed automatic transmission shifts so unob-

trusively, the distinction is of little use. Comfort mode does soften things noticeably, but it's best to stick with the aptly named Smart mode.

Power comes from a 3.3-liter double-overhead cam V-6 rated at 290 horsepower. And while the engine mostly seems up to whatever tasks are at hand, there are times when it could use a bit more snap.

As you'd expect, the Cadenza has a full menu of driver-assistance safety features, including radar cruise control, forward collision warning, autonomous emergency braking, lane departure warning, blind spot detection, and a 360-degree-view camera.

It's all wrapped in sheet metal that's distinctive and handsome and fronted by a new concave rendition of Kia's trademark tiger nose grille. The design is framed by distinctive Z-shaped daytime running lights and slim, horizontal headlamps.

It makes for a beguiling package, one that's perfectly sized, attractively styled and remarkably balanced.

It also makes me wish it had another name. Or maybe not.

For this new Kia is so good, instead of hearing, "I told you to put that glass in the credenza," perhaps I'll hear, "Put yourself in a Cadenza."

Perhaps.

MOTERING Q&A: Yes, you need to change your brake fluid

By **PAUL BRAND**
STAR TRIBUNE (MINNEAPOLIS)

Q: I have a 2014 Subaru Forester with 32,000 miles on it. During a recent service at the dealership, the workers there said that because the car had surpassed the 30,000-mile mark I should have its brake fluid changed. I refused but then looked in my owner's manual and, sure enough, it calls for the brake fluid to be changed every 30,000 miles. I have never heard of such a program. What do you know about this?

A: I know that having brake fluid changed every two years or 30,000 miles is a very worthwhile maintenance service. I'm always amazed at the condition of the brake fluid I find in most vehicles—nasty, muddy-colored brown. New brake fluid is virtually clear.

The ugly fluid is the result of moisture and corrosion contaminating the hydraulic system. Brake fluid is a glycol-based fluid that is hygroscopic, meaning it will absorb moisture from the at-

mosphere. Moisture contacting iron and steel components leads to rust—exactly what accumulates in brake fluid over years and miles of operation. Remarkably, in most cases, these contaminated brake systems still function.

That doesn't mean you don't need to perform periodic brake fluid changes. The simplest short-term method is to use a turkey baster or similar siphon device to draw down the master cylinder reservoir until nearly empty and then refill it with fresh brake fluid. Granted, this does not fully exchange the fluid in the system, but does replace a significant percentage of it. Doing this every year at very little cost will reduce corrosion build-up in the fluid.

To replace 100 percent of the brake fluid, the brakes need to be bled until fresh and clean fluid can be seen in the bleed hose at each caliper/wheel cylinder. This method also flushes moisture and debris from the system.

Silicone-based fluids like DOT 5 brake fluid do not absorb moisture and have been the choice of racers for years

due to their non-hygroscopic characteristics and higher boiling point (even the smallest amount of moisture absorbed into glycol brake fluid significantly lowers its boiling point). Silicone brake fluid is not compatible with glycol-based brake fluid so switching to DOT 5 fluid would require a complete flush to remove all traces of DOT 3 or DOT 4 fluids.

Q: My son-in-law is experiencing weird problems with his 2007 GMC Denali. While driving, the door locks go up and down, the headlights dim and go bright, and the vehicle will not turn off. He took the car to a dealer, and after running a diagnostic check, they charged him \$221 and said they didn't know what the problem is. Now a mechanic friend of my son-in-law is going to replace the windshield, as he suspects water is getting in somewhere and causing the problem. The problems I described all happen occasionally but, as you can imagine, are stressful.

A: Don't replace the windshield yet! I found several

technical service bulletins and a recall notice in my automotive database that address bizarre electrical issues similar to what you've described.

The bulletins and recall, including the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's recall 08V441000, point to a potential short circuit on the printed circuit board that controls the heated washer fluid system. This issue can affect other electrical systems in the vehicle, including those you described. I'm surprised the dealer didn't check for this because of the potential (although slight) risk of overheating and fire. I suggest having the dealer check for this problem.

Q: I have a peculiar situation with our 2009 Hummer H3T. The power steering fluid is very low yet there is no leak anywhere. I checked underneath and the steering column and it's all dry. Any suggestions?

A: Look again. The fluid has to be going somewhere. If the end seals of the steering rack leak fluid may accumulate in the boots covering the inner tie-rod ends.

NUTS & BOLTS

- Base prices: Not available
- Engine: Double-overhead-cam 3.3-liter V-6
- Horsepower: 290
- Torque: 253 pound-feet
- Fuel type: Regular unleaded
- EPA fuel economy (city/highway): 20 mpg/28 mpg
- Wheelbase: 112.4 inches
- Length: 195.7 inches
- Cargo capacity: 16 cubic feet
- Curb weight: 4,718-4,784 pounds
- NHTSA rating: Not rated

Life & Style

Dave Chappelle, 'SNL' give thoughtful coda to election

LOS ANGELES (AP)—"Saturday Night Live" called on host Dave Chappelle's wit and Kate McKinnon's performance of "Hallelujah" for a thoughtful coda to a divisive presidential campaign.

Chappelle, claiming to be rusty after a decade largely out of the TV spotlight, proved ready and eager to offer his take on Donald Trump's victory over Hillary Clinton, including the protests that followed.

"I haven't seen white people this mad since the O.J. (Simpson) verdict," the comedian said drolly, suggesting he would take a knee like football player Colin Kaepernick and let whites figure out the election.

There were one-liners—he grabbed the maid in his Trump

hotel room because the "boss said it was OK"—but Chappelle also got serious, talking about the Black Lives Matter movement and other issues beyond the election.

"I don't even think it's the most important thing we're dealing with," Chappelle said, noting "all these shootings in the last year, worst mass shootings in the history of the United States."

Giving a shoutout to President Barack Obama for a job well done and saying he'd be missed, Chappelle told of attending a recent BET-sponsored White House party attended mostly by African-American guests.

He recalled how rare it was in past centuries for blacks to be allowed to visit the White House, adding that he relished

seeing "how happy everybody was, these people that had been historically disenfranchised."

"It made me feel hopeful, and it made me feel proud to be an American, and it made me very happy about the prospects of our country," Chappelle said.

"So, in that spirit, I'm wishing Donald Trump luck, and I'm going to give him a chance," he said. "And we, the historically disenfranchised, demand that he give us one, too."

After a string of openings featuring cast member McKinnon as Clinton sparring with Alec Baldwin's Trump, McKinnon owned the stage solo



Chappelle

last night.

Costumed as the Democratic candidate and seated at a piano, McKinnon performed "Hallelujah" by Leonard Cohen, who died last week. It proved a resonant Clinton

swan song.

"I did my best, it wasn't much, I couldn't feel, so I tried to touch.

"I've told the truth, I didn't come to fool you," McKinnon sang. "And even though it all went wrong, I'll stand before the lord of song, with nothing on my tongue but hallelujah."

At the song's end, McKinnon turned to the camera with her own—or faux Clinton's?—message of hope.

"I'm not giving up and nei-

are trying to live.

Matsuyama gained 26 kilograms (57 pounds) in about three months, speeding the transformation since it ruled out other acting jobs. Gorging on ice cream and rice cakes, he gradually felt he was morphing into Murayama, that all-out physical role-building that often grabs attention—Robert De Niro in "Raging Bull" or Charlize Theron in "Monster."

"Usually, I'm told to lose weight for this job, and we have to restrict our eating and drinking. But for this, I got to let all that go," Matsuyama said, looking lean and nimble, back at his usual weight of 66 kilograms (145 pounds). "I ate potato chips in bed with my daughter."

Becoming Murayama was about more than getting fat, although that brought him closer to the part. Even the way he walked, the way he carried himself, and the aches and twitches that followed, as well as the way his mind worked, all changed, recalled Matsuyama, whose marital partner Koyuki played opposite Tom Cruise in "The Last Samurai."

Matsuyama spent a year practicing the way shogi masters place their pawns, flat hexagon-shaped tiles, with that decisive click against the board, their fingers placed just so.

The tension of the shogi scenes—two people facing off, sitting Japanese-style on the floor, in thick silence, except for the click-clicks against the board—is gripping, even to audiences unfamiliar with the art.



In this Oct. 25, 2016 photo, Japanese actor Kenichi Matsuyama poses for photographers on the red carpet during Tokyo International Film Festival opening ceremony in Tokyo. AP

cate their entire lives, even risking death, for the pursuit of perfection.

"He confronted his life head-on, and it wasn't about living for anyone else" said Matsuyama, who has starred in "Norwegian Wood," the 2010 coming-of-age film based on the best-selling novel by Haruki Murakami. "Mr. Murayama always felt death close to him. That was

his predicament."

Similar to the way boxers have to keep winning to remain champions, shogi players have to keep winning. That's why Murayama kept delaying treatment and then goes back to the shogi board barely a month after major surgery. He is in constant pain, but he doesn't stop. He doesn't want to cut his nails because, he says, even nails

ther should you," she said.

Chappelle, who earned increased fame and critical acclaim with his 2003 Comedy Central sketch series, "Chappelle's Show," abruptly left early in its third season.

For a "SNL" parody of "The Walking Dead," Chappelle revived a number of the characters he played on his old show. Chris Rock joined him in a sketch mocking white

election angst.

When a white character exclaimed, "Oh my God, I think America is racist," Chappelle replied: "I remember my great-grandfather told me something like that. He was like a slave or something."

The show's musical guest, A Tribe Called Quest, sang, "We the People" and later, "The Space Program" with Busta Rhymes and Consequence.

Justice Ginsburg trades robes for opera costume

WASHINGTON (AP)—The curtain rose on Act 2 of "The Daughter of the Regiment," revealing the figure of a tiny woman barely visible in a large dome chair with her back to the audience. Suddenly, she swiveled around—and there was Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Cheers and prolonged applause rang out from the crowd at the Kennedy Center on Saturday night even before Ginsburg, a life-long opera lover who was making her official operatic debut, opened her mouth to speak as the imperious Duchess of Krakenthorp.

Her character, a non-singing role in Donizetti's frothy 1840 comedy, had come to find out whether the title character, Marie, was worthy of marrying her nephew.

Looking frail but determined and wearing an elegant acid green silk dress, the 83-year-old justice read from a crib sheet a series of qualifications that sounded very much like requirements for high political or judicial office. Her deadpan delivery was boosted by a microphone, although laughter from the audience occasionally drowned her out.

Some samples:

"The best of the house of Krakenthorp have open but not empty minds. The best are willing to listen and learn. No surprise, then, that the most valiant Krakenthorpians have been women."

"Applicants seeking a station so exalted must have the fortitude to undergo strict scrutiny. Their character must be beyond reproach."

Her biggest laugh came when—in apparent reference to the bogus "birther" campaign against President Obama—she asked whether Marie could produce a birth certificate and added: "We must take precautions against fraudulent pretenders."

Ginsburg herself wrote her dialogue, in collaboration with Kelley Rourke, dramaturg for the Washington National Opera, which is presenting a new production of the opera. In the original version of "La Fille du Regiment," as it is known in French, the duchess has little dialogue, but the role is often taken by comedians or aging singers who improvise their own lines.

Francesca Zambello, the WNO's artistic director, had asked Ginsburg to appear in all eight performances, but she declined to do more than opening night, citing her "day job." Actress Cindy Gold takes over for the remainder of the run.

It wasn't Ginsburg's first time on an opera stage. She had appeared three other times dating back to 1994 but always as a non-speaking supernumerary.

This time her presence added a unique luster to a performance that would have been memorable even without her, thanks to world-class singing by the cast, led by soprano Lisette Oropesa as Marie and tenor Lawrence Brownlee as her sweetheart, Tonio.

After Ginsburg's first scene she was escorted off stage, while many in the house gave her a standing ovation. But she was back again near the end, this time brought in by a servant in a white powdered wig of the type worn by British judges. Hearing that Marie has decided to marry Tonio instead of the duke, she exclaimed, "Quel scandale!" and retreated to a chair, fanning herself vigorously until the curtain fell.

And she would appear one final time, led on during the curtain calls by Brownlee. Then, leaning on him for a bit of support, one of the most influential and revered women in American life smiled and curtsied three times to the audience.

Pesky peacocks pose problems for Newton's neighbors in Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP)—Feathers are flying in the neighborhood around Wayne Newton's estate, where residents are complaining that peafowl like the ones on the Las Vegas showman's 40-acre ranch have become roosting, roaming pests.

Residents who live near Casa de Shenandoah claim peafowl from the ranch wander the neighborhood—squawking, scratching family cars and creating a traffic hazard.

"We heard something on our roof that scared us to death," April Juelke told the Las Vegas Review-Journal. "We thought a burglar was breaking in, but it was a bunch of peacocks."

The Juelkes and others say the birds roost at the ranch. The couple say their Labrador retriever, Reginald Winthrop, has twice had intestinal illnesses that they blame on bird droppings.

Newton's lawyer, Jay Brown, said the birds aren't



Newton's.

"We've never bought a peacock. We've never brought in a peacock," Brown said.

Sure, peacocks and hens were among the exotic menagerie the iconic "Mr. Las Vegas" headliner kept when

he lived at the ranch southeast of the Las Vegas Strip. Among them were Arabian horses, penguins, a Capuchin monkey named Boo, and wallabies.

Brown said peafowl were already at the ranch when Newton bought the property

in the '60s.

Casa de Shenandoah is officially home to about 25 peafowl that are tagged and live in an enclosure, Brown said.

Newton no longer lives at the estate, which today is a tourist museum focused on

In this Friday, Nov. 12, 2010, file photo a peacock walks near Wayne Newton's home in Las Vegas.

Newton's life and career.

Brown said the Newtons are willing to help remove the wild birds, but it wasn't their responsibility.

"These are feral peacocks," he said. "It's a neighborhood problem, not a Newton problem, in fairness."

Neighbor Bart Donovan, a member of a local advisory board, sees it differently.

"These things were born on the Newton property, they live there, they roost there at night," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, they're their birds."

Donovan said he fears the birds wandering in roadways could cause serious accidents.

The exact number of wild peafowl roaming the area around the ranch is unknown. Clark County code enforce-

ment officials guess there are between 20 and 30, the Review-Journal reported.

Compounding the problem is that peafowl have an average life span of 20 years, according to the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden, and peahens can lay three to eight eggs at a time.

"My view is, if we don't stay on top of this, it will become more of a problem because the animals do breed," said Clark County Commissioner Mary Beth Scow, who represents the district. "I know when I was out there, I saw several young peafowl."

County commissioners spent more than 30 minutes at a recent meeting discussing how to best handle the problem.

Animal control has a cage large enough to capture peafowl, but commissioners decided its staff is too small to constantly monitor the trap.

Moviegoers rush to 'Doctor Strange,' 'Arrival' post-election

NEW YORK (AP)—Moviegoers drained by the drama of the presidential election sought refuge at the movies over the weekend, where ticket sales were robust for just about everything.

Marvel's "Doctor Strange" led the North American box office for the second week with \$43 million, according to studio estimates Sunday. That was an especially strong hold for the Benedict Cumberbatch-led superhero blockbuster, which is now nearing \$500 million globally. "Trolls," the musical animated release from 20th Century Fox with Anna Kendrick and Justin Timberlake, also held well in its second week

with \$35.1 million, bringing its cumulative domestic total to \$94 million.

Denis Villeneuve's science-fiction thriller "Arrival," starring Amy Adams, scored the weekend's top debut with a better-than-expected \$24 million for Paramount Pictures. Opening in fourth was Universal Pictures' "Almost Christmas," the first holiday-themed release to hit theaters. The family gathering comedy, starring Danny Glover and Gabrielle Union, debuted with \$15.6 million.

The weekend box office was up about 47 percent from last year, according to comScore. The Friday holiday of Veteran's Day also helped stoke

business. Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for comScore, said the wide variety of releases gave moviegoers plenty of choice for escapism over the postelection weekend.

"In the first weekend after the election, I think it's clear that people find being able to go to the movie theater is the perfect antidote to the election coverage," said Dergarabedian. "There's almost nowhere else that you can unplug the way you can when you go to the movie theater."

The good showing for "Arrival," which cost \$47 million to produce, was a welcome relief for Paramount. The studio has endured a string of disappointments -- including

"Ben-Hur" and "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows" -- with a relatively thin slate of releases.

Paramount paid \$20 million for the film's domestic distribution rights. The film, in which a linguist is tasked by the government to communicate with newly arrived aliens, has drawn good reviews from critics.

Ang Lee's Iraq War hero drama "Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk" also made its much awaited debut, albeit on just two screens. The Sony Pictures release, which opens nationwide next week, grossed \$120,300 from two theaters (one in New York, one in Los Angeles). The two

locations are the only places in North America the film is screening in Lee's innovative 120 frames-per-second version (five times the normal rate), in addition to being in 3-D and at 4k resolution.

Playing in more traditional formats, it got off to a good start in China, where "Billy Lynn"

opened with \$11.7 million.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Doctor Strange," \$43 million (\$60.2 million international).	6. "The Accountant," \$4.6 million (\$7.6 million international).
2. "Trolls," \$35.1 million (\$18.3 million international).	7. "Shut In," \$3.7 million.
3. "Arrival," \$24 million (\$10 million international).	8. "Tyler Perry's Boo! A Madea Halloween," \$3.6 million.
4. "Almost Christmas," \$15.6 million.	9. "Jack Reacher: Never Go Back," \$3.3 million (\$8.6 million international).
5. "Hacksaw Ridge," \$10.8 million (\$3.7 million international).	10. "Inferno," \$3.3 million (\$8.6 million international).

Relatives' comings and goings leave their sister at a loss

DEAR ABBY: My older brother and son live with me. We are all adults, so we don't need to ask each other's permission before one of us leaves the house. Out of courtesy, I let them know where I'm going, who I'll be with, and if I am likely to be out late. When I'm out, if I realize that I'll be gone later than I thought, I text them. To me, this is common courtesy.

My brother and son say goodbye when they leave, but rarely volunteer any information about their plans. I hate to ask, because they are adults and it's none of my business, but it just seems rude. I'm often startled when they come home late and I am awakened, until I know it's them and not someone breaking in. If I wake up and they aren't home, I worry. Am I right to expect them to tell me where they are going and if they will be late?

ANNOYED SISTER

DEAR ANNOYED: To expect to be told where your older brother and adult son are going and with whom seems like a lot of information to demand. However, being informed what time they will be back so you won't think someone is breaking in not only would be thoughtful but also practical.

DEAR ABBY: I suffer from severe seasonal allergies. I have watery eyes and sneeze during January and February

every year. I went to an allergist last winter, but he couldn't do much for me.

As I struggle to get through my days as quietly as possible, every sneeze seemingly elicits a "God bless you" from some stranger. If I'm unable to acknowledge it, I often get a "Well, thank you!" or some other show of indignation.

Abby, I don't need "blessings." Calling attention to my difficulties, frankly, just annoys and embarrasses me. I am trying the best I can to be quiet and avoid disruption. Can you please ask your many readers to end this ancient, silly convention and let those of us with allergies suffer in peace?

ATCHOO IN KANSAS CITY

DEAR ATCHOO: No. The "God bless you" convention originated in the Middle Ages. People thought that when someone sneezed the soul left the body for a minute, and would be snatched by the devil if someone didn't say "God bless you." Those who say it today may be doing it because it has become a conditioned reflex, or to be polite. Accept the kind gesture and kwitchebitchin.

DEAR ABBY: After becoming engaged recently, I was excited to ask my best friend to be my bridesmaid. However, her husband can't stand the thought of her getting dolled up and walking down the aisle after the ceremony with another man.

DEAR ABBY

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I want to be respectful, but this just seems over the top. Their daughters will be flower girls. I don't understand why this is an issue. Would it be best for her to just attend the wedding? This is breaking my heart. What's a bride to do?

RESPECTFUL IN KENTUCKY

DEAR RESPECTFUL: Your friend's husband appears to be insecure and controlling. Your next move should be to ask your friend how she plans to handle this -- so that she and the girls can be replaced if necessary.

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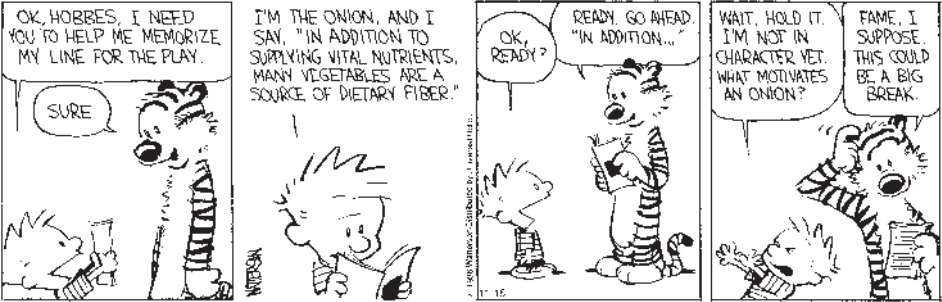
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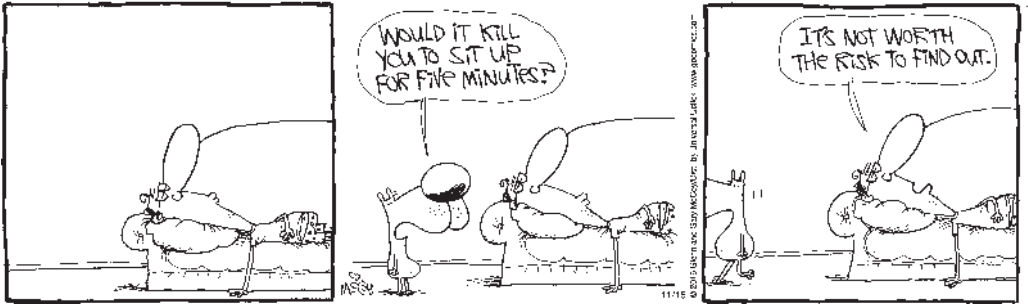
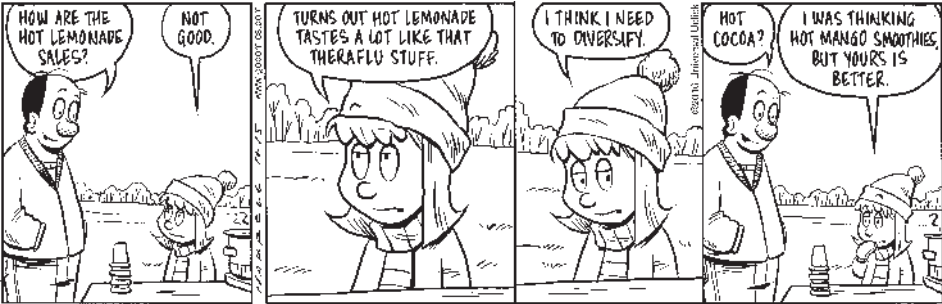


Adam@home

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ACROSS

- 1 Bell sound
- 5 Speech problem
- 9 Frozen water
- 12 Sicilian peak
- 13 "Yes —?"
- 14 Reunion gp.
- 15 Monthly payment
- 17 Candied veggie
- 18 Pub orders
- 19 Ecstasy's opposite
- 21 Pesto herb
- 24 Lady of the haus
- 25 Flightless birds
- 26 Flight of steps
- 30 Lumber unit
- 31 Whirls
- 32 "Big Blue"
- 33 Spirited steeds
- 35 Power co. supply
- 36 Cincinnati team

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- 1 Zing
- 37 Country estate
- 38 Syrup flavor
- 40 Tiny branch
- 42 Kimono closer
- 43 Sir Winston —
- 48 The whole enchilada
- 49 French cleric
- 50 Helen's home
- 51 Aviv preceder
- 52 Reddish horse
- 53 Harvard rival
- 2 Ordinal suffix
- 3 Year in Acapulco
- 4 Oahu verandas
- 5 Earring site
- 6 Rainbow
- 7 NBC sketch show
- 8 Sailor's star
- 9 So to speak
- 10 James of "The Godfather"
- 11 TV trophy
- 16 Right angle
- 20 Needle-fish
- 21 Lugosi of film
- 22 Cupid's specialty
- 23 Placebo
- 24 Support group?
- 26 Hot tubs
- 27 Stanum
- 28 First victim
- 29 Village People hit
- 31 Brandy cocktail
- 34 — canto
- 35 Four-score
- 37 Crooner Damone
- 38 Castle defense
- 39 Competent
- 40 Hefty horn
- 41 Wee songbird
- 44 "Veep" aier
- 45 A Gershwin brother
- 46 Texter's chuckle
- 47 Caustic solution

Solution time: 22 mins.

Yesterday's answer 11-15

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Shailene Woodley, 25; Jonny Lee Miller, 44; Beverly D'Angelo, 65; Sam Waterston, 76.

Happy Birthday: Share your thoughts and feelings. The truth will override what anyone else does to try and make you look bad or incompetent. Believe and trust in yourself and your vision, and your sincerity will shine through. A change at home or to the way you live will add comfort and beauty to your surroundings and your life. Trust in your abilities. Your numbers are 4, 15, 26, 32, 37, 42, 46.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take on a challenge and speak up about the way you feel and the discoveries you have made in your persistence to find the truth. You can make a difference if you work hard and try to ignore distractions. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't get talked into helping someone who has ulterior motives. You need to take care of your own concerns first. An emotional plea will be based on information that isn't factual. Dig deep and proceed with caution. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Emotions will be close to the surface. Make your personal insight your guide, and question any occurrence that appears suspicious. Stick to the truth and demand the same in return. Look at your options and act on your beliefs. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Listen carefully to what others have to say, and do your own fact-finding. If you are diligent about finding out the truth, you will come

across information that can help you reach your goal without having to compromise. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You can make things happen if you reach out to the right people. Interacting in activities or events that address your concerns will connect you to interesting people. A passionate approach to your life and your beliefs will pay off. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep a close eye on matters that have the potential to spin out of control. An emotional issue will leave you in an awkward position if you don't counter rumors when they first begin. Take pride in the way you look and in what you do. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Step into the future with optimism and the realization that you can make a difference in others' lives while also increasing the happiness in your own life. Take initiative and be willing to do the necessary legwork. Embrace change enthusiastically. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Deal with personal assets, debts and health issues promptly. Planning for the future will ensure that you don't get caught unprepared if something unexpected comes your way. Discretion will be necessary, and personal improvements can be made. Romance is encouraged. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll be torn between truth and fiction. Don't believe everything you hear. Gather the facts and check motives before you side with one person or another. Be true to yourself and your beliefs, not what someone else wants you to think. ***

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let old problems surface. Take care of any pending matters quickly and move forward. Someone from your past will not play fair. Expect hidden motives to be involved in an offer you receive. Be sure to ask what's expected of you. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Home improvements can be made. Intelligence combined with hands-on work will help you get the results you are looking for. Working from home or planning something that will please the ones you love will pay off. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be careful who you share your secrets with. Someone will be looking for a way to make you look bad or take advantage of you. Don't put yourself in a vulnerable position. Focus on self-improvement. **

Birthday Baby: You are competitive, original and persuasive. You are tactful and secretive.

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer

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7	4	3	5	2	1	8	6	9
6	9	1	8	4	3	2	7	5
1	3	6	7	9	5	4	8	2
5	2	4	6	1	8	9	3	7
8	7	9	4	3	2	1	5	6
3	5	2	1	8	6	7	9	4
4	1	7	3	5	9	6	2	8
9	6	8	2	7	4	5	1	3

Difficulty Level ★★ 11/15

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WONDERWORD By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

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SUBMISSION: DECEMBER 15, 2016 TIME: 11:00 A.M.

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/S/ HERMAN S. SABLAN
DIRECTOR, P&S

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Goal line defense works out for Seahawks this time



FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP)—This time, Seattle won it at the goal line.

It certainly won't make up for the Super Bowl loss two seasons back, but the Seahawks' goal-line stand lifted them to a 31-24 victory over the New England Patriots on Sunday night.

Tom Brady couldn't connect with Rob Gronkowski on a fade pattern on fourth down as New England (7-2) failed four times from inside the 2 in the dying moments.

"He was playing off me ... pretty far, farther than usual," Gronkowski said about safety Kam Chancellor. "You don't usually see that. A fade, I had to go up to him and initiate a move. I just wanted get on top of his toes, that is what you are taught. I just got up on his toes too much."

It was reminiscent of how the Seahawks (6-2-1) lost the 2015 Super Bowl when Malcolm Butler intercepted at the goal line to win the NFL title for the Patriots.

Doug Baldwin caught three touchdown passes from Russell Wilson, including a 15-yarder for the final margin. Strangely, Seattle went for 2 points and failed on the conversion, leaving the Patriots a chance to tie with a touchdown and an extra point kick.

But LeGarrette Blount, who earlier rushed for three touchdowns, couldn't get into the end zone from close range, nor could Brady on a pair of sneaks.

"Our execution wasn't great," Brady said, "and they put a lot of pressure on you defensively. They have a lot of good players and they make you earn every yard. They play to the end, they have been in a lot of close games."

"It came down to a yard at the end and we didn't get it."

Broncos 25, Saints 23

In New Orleans, Denver's Justin Simmons used a perfectly timed leap over the offensive line to block an extra-point kick that would have given New Orleans a late lead, Will Parks ran it back 84 yards for a defensive 2-point conversion, and the Broncos pulled out a wild victory.

The decisive play came while the Superdome crowd was still celebrating Brandin Cooks' twisting, 32-yard touchdown catch between two defenders. That put New Orleans (4-5) in position to take the lead with 1:28 left. Simmons' block of Wil Lutz's kick was scooped up by Parks, who nearly stepped out of bounds as he raced down the left sideline.

It was the first such play to provide the winning points in an NFL game. The rule was



instituted last year.

The Broncos then recovered an onside kick and ran out the clock.

Safety Darian Stewart intercepted Drew Brees twice and recovered a fumble for the Broncos (7-3), while Trevor Siemian overcame two interceptions by passing for touchdowns to Jordan Taylor and Demaryius Thomas.

Cowboys 35, Steelers 30

In Pittsburgh, Ezekiel Elliott ran for 114 yards and two touchdowns — both in the final two minutes — and had an 83-yard catch-and-run for a score as the Cowboys pulled off a thrilling victory for their eighth straight win.

Dak Prescott overcame an early fumble to pass for 319 yards and two scores for Dallas (8-1), which matched the longest single-season win streak in club history behind the two rookies who hardly seem bothered by the stage. Dez Bryant added six catches for 116 yards, including a 50-yard touchdown reception.

Ben Roethlisberger threw for 408 yards and three touchdowns. Antonio Brown caught 14 passes for 154 yards, including a 15-yard score with 42 seconds left after Roethlisberger faked a spike to surprise the Dallas defense.

The heady play — a throwback to Hall of Famer Dan Marino's move while leading Miami to a victory over the New York Jets in 1994 — gave the Steelers (4-5) a one-point lead.

It also gave Prescott and Elliott too much time.

Dolphins 31, Chargers 24

In San Diego, Kiko Alonso intercepted Philip Rivers' pass and returned it 60 yards for a touchdown with 1:01 left to

give Miami a fourth straight win. The Dolphins (5-4) intercepted Rivers four times, all in the fourth quarter.

Alonso jumped in front of Tyrell Williams and outraced everybody into the end zone for the winning score.

Two plays into the ensuing drive, Rivers was intercepted again, by Tony Lippett, his second of the game.

Rivers threw three touchdown passes to move past John Elway for eighth place on the career list with 301. Rivers' 51-yard touchdown pass to Williams with 4:04 left gave the Chargers (4-6) a 24-21 lead.

Miami came right back to get a 27-yard field goal from Andrew Franks to tie it. That was set up by Ryan Tannehill's 56-yard pass to DeVante Parker and a roughing-the-passer call that put the ball on the San Diego 10.

Cardinals 23, 49ers 20

In Glendale, Ariz., Chandler Catanzaro kicked a 34-yard field goal as time expired. Catanzaro missed twice on winning field goal tries earlier in the season, most memorably a 24-yarder in overtime of a 6-6 tie against Seattle.

But this attempt was right down the middle as Arizona (4-4-1) narrowly averted a devastating loss.

The 49ers (1-8) lost their eighth in a row despite a strong game by Colin Kaepernick, who tied it 20-20 on a 4-yard run with 1:55 to play.

That was enough time for Carson Palmer to gain redemption after three second-half turnovers, the last an interception by Gerald Hodges that led to the tying touchdown. Palmer completed 4 of 7 passes for 64 yards, including a leaping 26-yard grab by Michael Floyd, as the Cardinals drove from their 15 to the San Francisco 16 to set up the

winning kick.

Chiefs 20, Panthers 17

In Charlotte, N.C., Marcus Peters stripped Kelvin Benjamin with 20 seconds left, Cairo Santos kicked a 37-yard field goal as time expired, and the Chiefs overcame a 17-point deficit.

The game was tied when Benjamin caught a pass from Cam Newton, and Peters ripped the ball from his arms. Santos' fourth field goal of the day split the uprights, lifting the Chiefs (7-2) to their fifth straight victory and 17th win in their last 19 games.

Eric Berry also returned an interception 42 yards for a touchdown as Kansas City's defense came up with big plays when needed. The Chiefs failed to score an offensive touchdown.

Newton threw for 261 yards and a touchdown and ran for 54 yards and a score for the Panthers (3-6).

Eagles 24, Falcons 15

In Philadelphia, Ryan Mathews ran for 108 yards and two touchdowns, while a tenacious defense held down the league's highest-scoring offense.

Carson Wentz threw for 231 yards and led the Eagles (5-4) to a comeback victory for the first time this season. Caleb Sturgis made three field goals, including a clutch kick from 48 yards to seal the win.

Matt Ryan threw a 76-yard touchdown pass to Taylor Gabriel in the fourth quarter to give Atlanta (6-4) a 15-13 lead, but Philadelphia answered.

Mathews ran in from the 5 and also converted the 2-point conversion for a 21-15 lead. On Atlanta's ensuing possession, Julio Jones dropped a pass on third-and-12 and the Falcons punted. Jones

Seattle Seahawks cornerback DeShawn Sheard (35) intercepts a pass intended for New England Patriots wide receiver Malcolm Mitchell, right, during the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016, in Foxborough, Mass.

couldn't make a difficult catch on fourth-and-5 on Atlanta's next drive.

Redskins 26, Vikings 20

In Landover, Md., Kirk Cousins threw for two touchdowns, Preston Smith had two sacks and a game-altering interception in Washington's first victory in almost a month.

Washington (5-3-1) got all of its second-half points off the foot of Dustin Hopkins, who hit four field goals, including a 50-yarder. The Redskins shut out Minnesota (5-4) in the second half, and Smith sacked Sam Bradford in the final seconds to hand the Vikings their fourth consecutive loss.

Cousins was 22 of 33 for 262 yards with touchdown passes to Vernon Davis and Jamison Crowder. Robert Kelley ran for 97 yards, helping Washington bounce back from a rough 6-minute stretch.

Bradford was 31 of 39 for 307 yards, two touchdowns and the interception that Smith tipped and caught with 5:44 left. Stefon Diggs had 13 catches for 164 yards.

Titans 47, Packers 25

In Nashville, Tenn., Marcus Mariota threw for 295 yards and four touchdowns in the rout. Five Titans scored a touchdown in the first half as Tennessee put together its best scoring performance this season with 35 points.

With the win, the Titans (5-5) also matched their five victories over the past two seasons combined.

DeMarco Murray set the tone on the opening play from scrimmage, running 75 yards for a touchdown. He finished with 123 yards and also threw a TD pass, becoming the first non-quarterback to do that for this franchise in the same game since Earl Campbell on Sept. 7, 1980, for the then-Houston Oilers.

Brian Orakpo had two of Tennessee's five sacks, and the Titans also forced three turnovers.

The Packers (4-5) started a three-game road swing by losing their third straight.

Texans 24, Jaguars 13

In Jacksonville, Fla., Brock Osweiler threw two touchdown passes and Kareem Jackson returned an interception 42 yards for a score. The Texans (6-3) scored on offense and defense and set up another

score with special teams, a complete team effort that led to their first road win of the season. It kept them perfect (3-0) against the AFC South. They won their fifth in a row against Jacksonville.

The Jaguars (2-7) lost their fourth straight and fell to 0-4 at home. Coach Gus Bradley's team rallied late, with Blake Bortles hitting Allen Robinson for a touchdown and again for a 2-point conversion.

The loss dropped Bradley's record to 14-43 in four seasons and prompted even the most loyal supporters to question why owner Shad Khan hasn't made a change.

Buccaneers 36, Bears 10

In Tampa, Fla., Jameis Winston threw for 312 yards and two touchdowns against mistake-prone Chicago.

Winston threw for TDs of 10 yards to Cameron Brate and 43 yards to Freddie Martino, the latter set up by a bizarre highlight-reel play. The No. 1 pick in last year's draft scrambled 23 yards backward into his end zone before avoiding a safety and launching a 39-yard completion to Mike Evans at the Chicago 38.

Martino, a former practice squad player with two career receptions, scored his first NFL touchdown after a delay-of-game penalty pushed the Bucs (4-5) back to the 43.

Two weeks after returning from injury and helping the Bears (2-7) beat NFC North leader Minnesota, Jay Cutler threw two interceptions and fumbled twice, one resulting in a third-quarter safety that put the Bucs up 29-10.

The Bucs forced four turnovers overall and sacked Cutler four times.

Rams 9, Jets 6

In East Rutherford, N.J., Alec Ogletree intercepted Bryce Petty with just under two minutes left to clinch this snoozer. Petty made his first NFL start in place of an injured Ryan Fitzpatrick, but couldn't get much going against the Rams' defense.

After getting the ball with 2:55 remaining and down by three, Petty tried to lead the Jets (3-7) downfield. But Petty's pass to Quincy Enunwa was picked off by Ogletree and Enunwa tried to wrestle it away from the linebacker to no avail.

Greg Zuerlein kicked three field goals, including a go-ahead 34-yarder with 6:52 left, helping the Rams (4-5) snap a four-game losing streak and avoid their first five-game skid since Weeks 9-13 last season.

The game featured 15 punts — eight by the Jets and seven by the Rams.

Thompson's big fourth quarter leads Warriors past Suns



OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—Nobody will argue the Golden State Warriors have a lineup of reliable, superstar scorers. They nearly had a trio of 30-point performers.

Defenders, that's still to be determined.

"We're trying to win a championship, you don't do that simply by outscoring people," coach Steve Kerr said.

Klay Thompson hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 4:31 left and another with 3:13 remaining to score a season-high 30 points, Stephen Curry also had 30 points with five 3s, and the balanced Warriors held off the Phoenix Suns 133-120 on Sunday night.

Kevin Durant added 29 points, nine rebounds and five assists as he Warriors avoided a second home loss at this early stage that would have matched their total of two defeats at Oracle Arena in each of the past two regular seasons.

Thompson shot 11 for 18 also with five 3s and scored 14 of his points in the fourth, while Draymond Green finished with 14 points, 11 assists and seven rebounds as Golden State overcame 16 turnovers for 18 Suns points.

Eric Bledsoe and T.J. Warren scored 20 points apiece to lead six players in double figures for the Suns, who hardly looked sluggish in the second night of a back-to-back.

"You can't let them shoot 50 percent from the field," Thompson said. "If we want to get where we want to go, we have to pick it up on that side of the ball."

Thompson's 3-pointer with 6:58 to go tied the score at 106 but Leandro Barbosa answered with a 3 against his former team and Brandon Knight's free throws with 6:15 remaining made it 111-96 Suns.

Devin Booker added 19 points for Phoenix, while P.J. Tucker kept the Suns in it. His putback with 9:53 left tied it at 101, he made a pair of free throws at 9:18 and a reverse layin with 8:40 to play to make it 104-103. Tucker had eight points and eight rebounds.

The Warriors own their longest winning streak against the Suns at nine games, including 10 in a row at Oracle Arena.

Still, Green insists Golden State must do more on both ends.

"Fans aren't going to bring energy to a game like this because they're expecting us to come in and beat them by

30," he said.

Warren had four steals for Phoenix, and the Suns took 90 shots a day after putting up an NBA-high 107 in a home loss to Brooklyn.

Magic 119, Thunder 117

In Oklahoma City, Serge Ibaka's baseline jumper with less than a second remaining lifted Orlando past Oklahoma City.

Ibaka, who was traded from the Thunder to the Magic in the offseason, scored a career-high 31 points and added nine rebounds and four blocks.

With the score tied in the final minute, Oklahoma City's Russell Westbrook missed a pull-up jumper, and Orlando rebounded and called time-out with 11 seconds remaining to set up Ibaka's winner with 0.4 seconds left.

Westbrook finished with 41 points, 16 assists and 12 rebounds for his third triple-double of the season and 40th of his career. The Thunder had won 20 straight when Westbrook tallied a triple-double.

Elfrid Payton scored 23 points and Evan Fournier added 21 for the Magic, who snapped a three-game losing streak.

Cavaliers 100, Hornets 93

In Cleveland, LeBron James sparked a fourth-quarter comeback with 11 points, Channing Frye scored a season-high 20 and Cleveland beat Charlotte.

James, who finished with 19 points, also had five assists in the final period. He had eight points on 4-of-15 shooting through three quarters.

Kyrie Irving scored 19 points and Kevin Love added 17, but neither played in the fourth quarter as Cleveland coach Tyronn Lue stuck with the group that helped Cleveland take control of the game.

Kemba Walker scored 21 points for the Hornets, who have lost two straight after starting the season 6-1.

Timberwolves 125, Lakers 99

In Minneapolis, Andrew Wiggins had a career-high 47 points, equaling the entire Lakers starting lineup to lead Minnesota.

Wiggins made 14 of 21 shots and Nemanja Bjelica added a career-high 24 points and eight rebounds for the Timberwolves, who played without starting guard Zach LaVine and reserve forward Shabazz Muhammad. Both missed the game with sore



Phoenix Suns' Devin Booker, right, is defended by Golden State Warriors' Klay Thompson during the second half of an NBA basketball game Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016, in Oakland, Calif.

right knees.

Lou Williams scored 13 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter for the Lakers, who got 47 points from their starters and 52 from their bench. Julius Randle had 14 points and six rebounds and Jordan Clarkson scored 14.

Trail Blazers 112, Nuggets 105

In Portland, Ore., Damian Lillard scored 32 points and the Trail Blazers handed the struggling Nuggets their fourth straight loss.

CJ McCollum added 21 points for the Blazers, who have won five of their last six games. Portland trailed 57-50 at the break, but came alive in the second half and outscored Denver 36-15 in the third quarter.

Jamal Murray hit a 3-pointer to pull Denver within 110-105 in the final seconds, but the rally came up short. It was the Blazers' seventh straight victory over the Nuggets at the Moda Center.

Murray and Danilo Gallinari led the Nuggets with 19 points apiece and Kenneth Faried added 18. The Nuggets have struggled with injuries this season and have just three wins.

Spurs' Popovich on Trump's election: 'That's disgusting.'

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Saying he fears for the country's future, San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich made his frustrations and anger over Donald Trump's election known Friday night.

"He is in charge of our country," Popovich said. "That's disgusting."

Popovich spoke before his team played Detroit after initially suggesting he needed more time to put his thoughts together. He then vented without being asked another question for the next several minutes, even telling a reporter who tried to interrupt at one point that he wasn't done talking.

With that, he followed NBA coaches such as Golden State's Steve Kerr and Detroit's Stan Van Gundy in lashing out at Trump's election.

"I'm a rich white guy and I'm sick to my stomach thinking about it," said Popovich, a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy and the next coach of the U.S. Olympic men's basketball team. "I

can't imagine being a Muslim right now or a woman or an African-American, Hispanic, a handicapped person. How disenfranchised they might feel. For anyone in those groups that voted for him, it's just beyond my comprehension how they ignore all that."

Trump lauded the Spurs during a campaign stop last month, but Popovich was upset with Trump's rhetoric throughout his campaign, and that disdain has not yet subsided.

"Not basically because the Republicans won or anything, but the disgusting tenure and tone and all the comments that have been xenophobic, homophobic, racist, misogynistic," Popovich said. "I live in that country where half the people ignored all that to elect someone. That's the scariest part of the whole thing to me."

Trump said early in his campaign that he would build a wall to keep illegal immigrants out of America because "when Mexico sends its people" they are sending

"rapists," "bringing crime" and "bringing drugs." Trump also once proposed a ban on any Muslims entering the country.

Since his election Tuesday night, Trump seemed to strike a more conciliatory tone during his acceptance speech and following his meeting with President Barack Obama. He even suggested in an interview with The Wall Street Journal that he was considering keeping some elements of the Affordable Care Act—after vowing repeatedly throughout his campaign to repeal Obamacare immediately.

"He's already backing off on immigration, on Obamacare and other things," Popovich said. "So, was it a big fake? ... What gets lost in the process are African-Americans and Hispanics and women and the gay population—not to mention the eighth-grade developmental stage exhibited by him when he made fun of the handicap person. I mean, come on.

That's what a seventh-grade, eighth-grade bully does, and he was elected president of the United States."

Popovich, who is of Serbian descent, said kids would be punished for the words and behavior Trump exhibited.

"We would have scolded our kids," Popovich said. "We would have had discussions and talked until we were blue in the face trying to get them to understand these things and he is in charge of our country? That's disgusting."

"Everybody wants him to be successful. It's our country, we don't want it to go down the drain," Popovich said. "Any reasonable person would come to that conclusion, but it does not take away the fact that he used that fearmongering and all the comments from day one."

As his remarks ended, Popovich said he was concerned that the U.S. is on the same path as the Roman Empire.

"My final conclusion is, my big fear is, we are Rome," Popovich said.

RA Dickey agrees to \$8M deal with Braves

ATLANTA (AP)—R. A. Dickey was won over by an Atlanta Braves sales team that included two Hall of Famers, including a fellow knuckleballer.

Dickey said he knew the Braves would be a good fit after meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, with a group that included manager Brian Snitker, general manager John Coppolella and two Hall of Famers—former manager Bobby Cox and knuckleballer Phil Niekro.

“I had a great feeling then there was great hope I would be able to join the organization,” Dickey said Thursday after agreeing to a one-year contract with an \$8 million guarantee.

He considers Niekro to be part of the “Jedi council of



knuckleballers” who influenced his career.

“Phil and I have a good relationship,” Dickey said. “I consider him a friend. We filmed a documentary together.”

He gets a \$7.5 million salary next year, and the Braves have an \$8 million option for 2018 with a \$500,000 buyout. The deal for the 42-year-old right-

hander, the first of the 157 free agents to switch teams this offseason, is subject to a successful physical, tentatively planned for late next week.

Dickey said he had the Braves near the top of a short list of prospective teams. He noted the short travel distance—“3 hours, 15 minutes from doorstep to doorstep”—

In this May 24, 2016, file photo, then-Toronto Blue Jays pitcher R.A. Dickey delivers against the New York Yankees during the first inning of a baseball game in New York.

from his home to Atlanta was a big factor.

“I’ve grown up a Braves fan and have always admired the organization,” Dickey said.

Dickey said having four children ages 14 and younger kept retirement an option if he did not find interest from the right team.

Dickey had a career-high 20 wins and won the NL Cy Young in 2012, his final season with the New York Mets. The right-hander spent the last four years with the Toronto Blue Jays, going 10-15 with a 4.46 ERA this year.

Shohei Otani shows off batting prowess with disappearing hit

TOKYO (AP)—Japanese pitcher Shohei Otani added to his reputation as a powerful hitter on Sunday when he hit a fly ball that didn’t come down.

Otani’s towering fly ball in the seventh inning of an exhibition game against the Netherlands got lodged somewhere in the roof of Tokyo Dome.

As Otani rounded the bases, teammates, opposition players and umpires looked up in search of the ball that disappeared into the panels lining the ceiling of the domed stadium.

What certainly would have been a home run in an open-air stadium was ruled a ground-rule double.

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14, 21-6. The Golden Racquets went on to complete its domination of the men’s singles matches last Friday after Almond Edralin beat Andreau Galvez in the A division, 21-19, 21-11.

In other results on Court 3, A.J. teamed up with Ric Brien in winning over Malasarte and Don Castillo in the men’s CC doubles, 21-15, 21-15.

On Court 1, Alamo/Armatech drew first blood with Dela Cruz and Patrick Fielded defeating Joel Ortega and Jerry Ebuenga, 21-17, 21-15, while Nathan Guerrero and Nicole Malasarte made it two in a row for UBC following their 19-21, 22-20, 21-18 triumph over Joel and Alma Ortega in the mixed AB doubles.

The Golden Racquets then got its first win in Court 1, thanks to Merlie Savellano and Joey Algenio’s 21-5, 21-9 victory over Jeff Candelario and Ella Soriano in the mixed

CC doubles. The Golden Racquets also prevailed in the men’s BC doubles as Robin and A.J. Ortega made short work of Fieldad and Malasarte, 21-18, 21-12.

Alamo/Armatech returned to its winning ways in the mixed BC doubles with Guerrero and Rodriguez topping Noli Santos and Roxanne Soriano, 21-14, 21-14, while Nicole Malasarte handed UBC another victory after downing Sison in the women’s B singles, 21-14, 21-15.

In the other women’s singles game, Villavicencio swept Patricia Abantao, 21-15, 21-14, while Edralin and Anna Rose Omori managed to give the Golden Racquets the slim lead at the conclusion of the Court 1 matches, 13-11, as they dominated Guerrero and Malou Malasarte in the mixed AB doubles, 21-17, 21-12.

Meanwhile, Alamo/Armatech also played last Saturday against Shirley’s and results of the pairing will be reported later this week.

Phillies get Howie Kendrick from Dodgers

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The Phillies got the veteran hitter they wanted.

Howie Kendrick was acquired from the Los Angeles Dodgers on Friday for first baseman Darin Ruf and utilityman Darnell Sweeney.

“Howie Kendrick brings a

proven, veteran presence to our young lineup,” general manager Matt Klentak said. “He is a hard worker, a great teammate and a true professional hitter. In addition, Howie’s defensive versatility provides significant flexibility to our roster, which should prove to be valuable to

our club in 2017.”

A 2011 AL All-Star, Kendrick hit .255 with 26 doubles, eight home runs, 40 RBIs, a team-leading 10 stolen bases and a .326 on-base percentage for the NL West champion Los Angeles Dodgers. The 33-year-old Kendrick made

123 starts—79 in left field, 23 at second base, 14 at third base and seven at first base—and made only five errors.

Kendrick is a career .289 hitter with 95 homers, 595 RBIs, 111 stolen bases and a .332 on-base percentage. He is signed to a deal that pays him \$10 million next year in the final season of his contract.

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10, 53-43. Preston Basa anchored Cavite’s run, drilling three triples and a layup that put his team in the lead momentarily, 63-62, midway in the final canto.

BSI-Blue Eagle squandered its double-digit lead as its main gunner Douglas Schmidt did not start in the fourth quarter. Schmidt reported back to the game and went on to bail out BSI-Blue Eagle, as he scored 7 markers in the homestretch, while Melvin Villarin backed

him up, adding 4 points. Schmidt finished in twin digits with his 16, while Villarin and Matt Duenas also contributed double figures with 14 and 10, respectively.

Meanwhile, in last Thursday’s first game, Save More went all out in the fourth period for a 103-95 victory against Cavite.

The game was tied at 70-all at the end of the third when Sid Quan and Andrew Ashburn teamed up in the payoff frame to lift Save More to the win. Quan scored 13 of his game-high 30 points in the

fourth quarter, while Ashburn chipped in 9.

Save More won the high-scoring game after earning a living from the foul line in the fourth canto. They scored 13 of their 33 points in the final period from the 15-foot line, while Cavite had only four charities.

Saturday Game

BSI-Blue Eagles 75 — Schmidt 16, Villarin 14, Matt Duenas 10, Hammond 5, Pablo 5, Raho 5, Manny Duenas 4, Standish 3, Palino 3, Rabago 2, Peredo 2, Echavez 2.

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game with a 4-1-1 record and would have remained in contention for the division championship had it prevailed against MP United. In the end, Matansa fell to a 4-1-2 slate and the best it could do now is place second if it wins over Kanoa this weekend, while MP United improved to a 3-0-5 card. TanHoldings (0-0-8) complete the field.

Gillian Villagomez led MP United’s upset over Matansa after registering a hat trick, including the go-ahead goal four minutes before the 70-minute game wrapped up. Villagomez’s two other goals came in the 17th and 40th minute, while MP United got an own goal in the 58th off Kanoa’s error.

Lyka Sally had two goals on a losing effort for Matansa with

her first recorded in the 23rd and the second in the 57th. Matansa drew its other goal from Guinevere Borja in the 28th minute for a 2-1 halftime edge.

Playoff game in co-ed U12

MP United FC-1 and Kanoa have to play one more game this Saturday at the Hopwood Junior High School Field to determine the winner of the co-ed U12 division crown.

MP United-1 forced a playoff match over Kanoa after demolishing Paire, 15-4, last Saturday in the first game at the Hopwood pitch. MP United-1 concluded the double-round robin regular season with a 7-0-1 mark, the same record Kanoa logged.

The Kanoa-MP United-1 playoff match will be played at 2pm at the Hopwood pitch and neither team has the psy-

chological advantage in the rubber after splitting their regular season games. Kanoa won in the first round on Sept. 10, 4-0, while MP United-1 prevailed in their second outing last Oct. 15, 4-2.

Rintaro Miyawaki and Rohan Basnet teamed up in MP United-1’s crucial victory after combining for nine goals. Miyawaki earned a hat trick early with his goals in the third, seventh, and 10th minute before adding two more in the 48th and 49th. Basnet chipped in four, recording his goals in the 43rd, 44th, 46th, and 60th minute. Jerick Ben Quimzon and Dylan Kim contributed two apiece, while Jeremiah Diaz and Andrew Chung had one each.

Paire drew two goals apiece from Dylan Mister and Justin Weaver. Paire finished the

Cavite 68 — Basa 29, Ocampo 20, Laguindam 9, Quemado 6, Sevilla 2.

Scoring by quarters: 26-15, 35-28, 53-43, 75-68.

Thursday Game

Save More 103 — Quan 30, Mangali 18, Ashburn 13, Meisa 12, Guiang 10, Lilles 6, Backe 4, Viola 2, Mateo 2, Sison 2.

Cavite 95 — Basa 27, Laguindam 18, Ocampo 13, Renguul 12, Iglecias 12, Sevilla 9, Garcia 2, Quemado 2.

Scoring by quarters: 27-27, 49-45, 70-70, 103-95.

season with a 2-1-5 record for fourth place in the team standings, losing the tiebreak to TanHoldings via goal difference -5 to -16.

TanHoldings 16, MP United-2 1

TanHoldings moved up to third in the leaderboard after also an easy win over MP United-2.

Kohtaro Goto and Oliver Fajardo led TanHoldings’ rout of MP United-2 as the former collected eight goals and the latter got six. Jaron Montenegro scored one, while TanHoldings was awarded an own goal from MP United-2’s miscue.

MP United-2 avoided a shutout, thanks to Sean Gil’s shot in the 13th minute. MP United-2 was the last finisher in the five-team field with its 1-0-7 mark.

TRIBUNE SPORTS SCORES

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE					WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division					Southwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	7	2	.778	—	San Antonio	7	3	.700	—
Boston	5	4	.556	2	Houston	5	4	.556	1½
Brooklyn	4	5	.444	3	Memphis	4	5	.444	2½
New York	3	6	.333	4	Dallas	2	6	.250	4
Philadelphia	1	8	.111	6	New Orleans	1	9	.100	6
Southeast Division					Northwest Division				
Atlanta	7	2	.778	—	Portland	7	4	.636	—
Charlotte	6	3	.667	1	Utah	7	4	.636	—
Orlando	4	6	.400	3½	Oklahoma City	6	4	.600	½
Miami	2	6	.250	4½	Minnesota	3	6	.333	3
Washington	2	7	.222	5	Denver	3	7	.300	3½
Central Division					Pacific Division				
Cleveland	8	1	.889	—	L.A. Clippers	9	1	.900	—
Chicago	6	4	.600	2½	Golden State	8	2	.800	1
Milwaukee	5	4	.556	3	L.A. Lakers	6	5	.545	3½
Detroit	5	5	.500	3½	Sacramento	4	7	.364	5½
Indiana	4	6	.400	4½	Phoenix	3	8	.273	6½

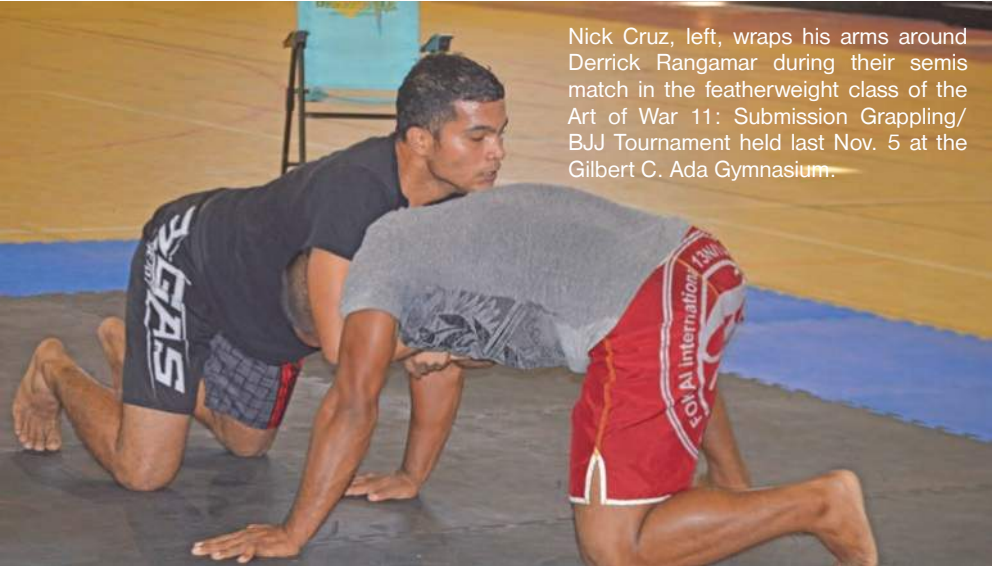
NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE							NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East							East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	2	0	.778	241	163	Dallas	8	1	0	.889	258	170
Miami	5	4	0	.556	204	206	N.Y. Giants	5	3	0	.625	161	164
Buffalo	4	5	0	.444	237	203	Washington	5	3	1	.611	212	209
N.Y. Jets	3	7	0	.300	179	244	Philadelphia	5	4	0	.556	226	160
South							South						
Houston	6	3	0	.667	161	188	Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	320	283
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	264	251	Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	216	242
Indianapolis	4	5	0	.444	239	256	New Orleans	4	5	0	.444	265	263
Jacksonville	2	7	0	.222	174	239	Carolina	3	6	0	.333	221	226
North							North						
Baltimore	5	4	0	.556	182	160	Detroit	5	4	0	.556	205	206
Pittsburgh	4	5	0	.444	214	206	Minnesota	5	4	0	.556	175	152
Cincinnati	3	4	1	.438	167	189	Green Bay	4	5	0	.444	223	234
Cleveland	0	10	0	.000	175	301	Chicago	2	7	0	.222	141	215
West							West						
Kansas City	7	2	0	.778	205	168	Seattle	6	2	1	.722	193	158
Oakland	7	2	0	.778	245	223	Arizona	4	4	1	.500	202	160
Denver	7	3	0	.700	239	189	Los Angeles	4	5	0	.444	139	173
San Diego	4	6	0	.400	292	278	San Francisco	1	8	0	.111	187	283

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Art of War 11: Submission Grappling/BJJ Tournament

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Nick Cruz, left, wraps his arms around Derrick Rangamar during their semis match in the featherweight class of the Art of War 11: Submission Grappling/BJJ Tournament held last Nov. 5 at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.



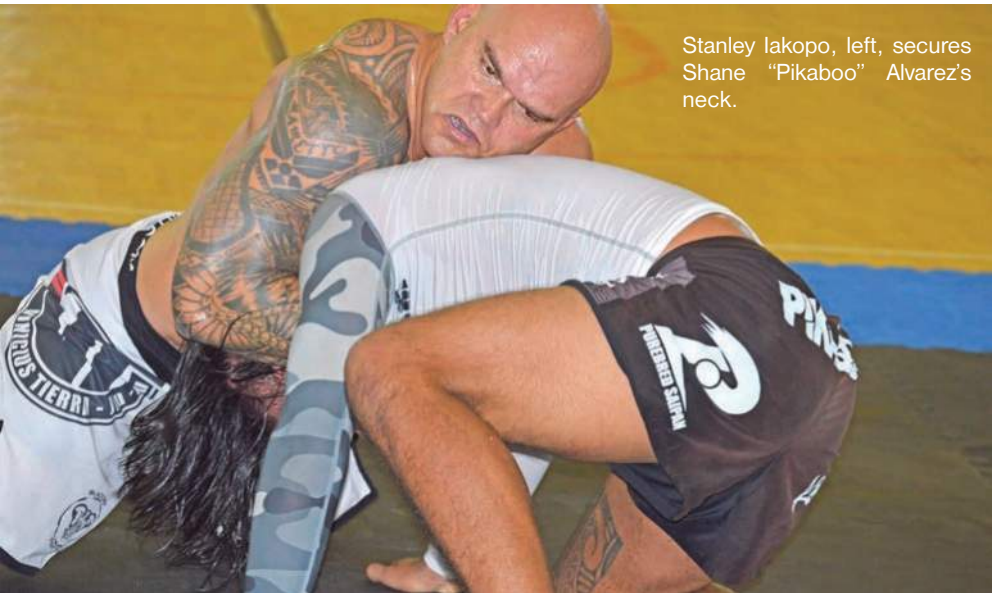
Joel Subang, left, tries to keep his balance as Derrick Rangamar charges.



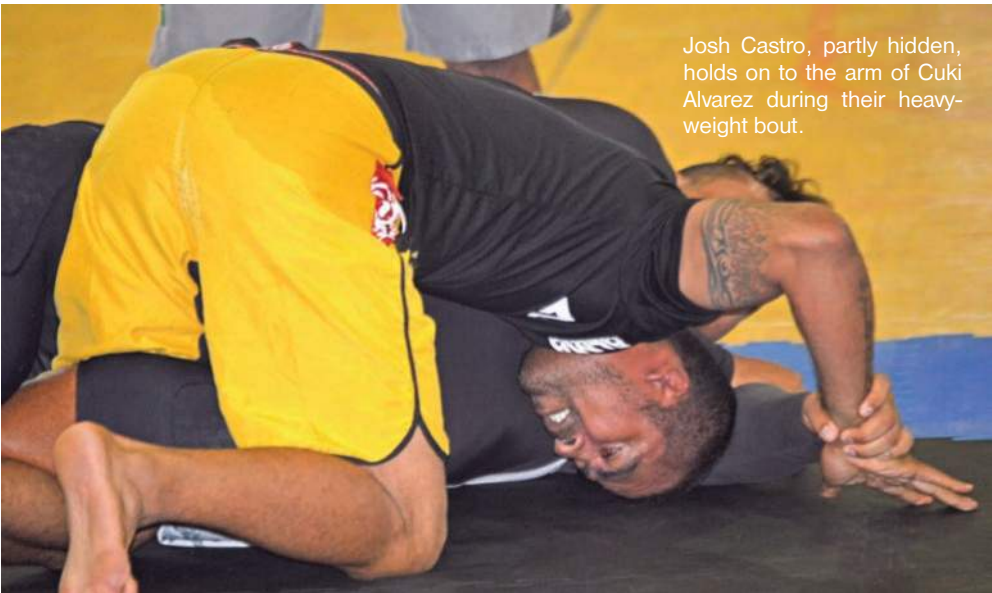
Jesus Attao, left, pins down Shane "Pikaboo" Alvarez.



John Tudela, right, holds on to Jeffrey Garcia's thighs.



Stanley Iakopo, left, secures Shane "Pikaboo" Alvarez's neck.



Josh Castro, partly hidden, holds on to the arm of Cuki Alvarez during their heavy-weight bout.



Referee Mike Ulloa assists Frank "The Crank" Camacho and Roman "The Sonic Boom" Alvarez in resuming their positions on the mat.



Shane "Pikaboo" Alvarez, left, tries to neutralize Jesus Attao in their light-weight bout.



Goal line defense
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Shirley's clinches fall title

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Shirley's Football Club took the fall championship in the girls U15 division of the 2016 NMIFA Youth League after downing Kanoa FC in a deciding game, 4-1, last Saturday at the Francisco Mendiola Sablan Middle School Field.

Shirley's finished the season with a field-best 6-1-1 win-draw-loss record to foil Kanoa's bid of dethroning the former. Had Kanoa won, it would have improved to a 6-0-1 mark and a victory over Matansa FC this Saturday would give the team a 7-0-1 slate. However, the loss dropped Kanoa to a 5-0-2 and it would have to settle for the runner-up honors if it beats Matansa in a make-up game this weekend at 1:30pm.

With Kanoa falling short this season, Shirley's extended its reign in the division, getting its fourth straight title and avenging its lone loss to the former (1-2, Oct. 8 match) this season.

Jerlyn Castillo helped Shirley's secure the division crown after scoring two goals in their final game of the



ROSELYN B. MONROYO
Shirley's Football Club's Jerlyn Castillo dribbles in front of the defense of Kanoa FC's Britany Wally during the first half of their girls U15 division game in the NMIFA fall league last Saturday at the Francisco Mendiola Sablan Middle School Field.

season. Her pair of goals came in goals for the back-to-back fall season succeeding fashion with the former light-champion with the former light-51st minute and the second in the 67th.

Jasmine Phan and Diana Maniacop drilled the two other



goals for the back-to-back fall season succeeding fashion with the former light-champion with the former light-51st minute and the second in the 67th. Jasmine Phan and Diana Maniacop drilled the two other

her target in the 57th minute.

In the other girls U15 division match, MP United FC played a spoiler role after stunning Matansa, 4-3.

Matansa entered last weekend's

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Golden Racquets beats Alamo/Armatech



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The Golden Racquets' Almond Edralin won his men's A singles matches against Alamo/Armatech's Andreau Galvez in the Traders Insurance tournament last Friday at the TSL Sports Complex.

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The Golden Racquets prevailed in its first assignment in the 9th Annual Traders Insurance Badminton Team Tournament after outclassing the Alamo/Armatech-sponsored United Badminton Club, 33-12, last Friday at the TSL Sports Complex.

After the close results on Court 1, 13-11, in favor of the Golden Racquets, the eventual winning club dominated the Court 3 matches, 20-1, to down the Alamo/Armatech. The Golden Racquets recorded sweeps (3-0) in the women's BB, men's CC, and women's BC doubles, and men's A, B, and C singles games on Court 3 and a 2-1 triumph in the women's CC doubles. Players are awarded 3 points for a sweep and 2 for the match that went to three games with the loser earning 1 point.

Roxanne Soriano and Myla Vicencio played the lone extended match

on Court 3. The Golden Racquets pair won in the first game of the women's CC doubles tiff, 21-17, while Miles Rodriguez and Alyssa Velasco recovered in the second, 23-21. The deciding third game was another tight duel with Roxanne and Myla slipping past their Alamo/Armatech rivals, 21-18.

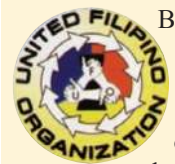
In the women's BC doubles, Vicencio had a different partner in Alma Ortega and they defeated Velasco and Nicole Malasarte, 21-12, 21-19. Ortega also played in the women's BB doubles and she and Rowena Sison topped Malasarte and Lucelle Lampera, 21-18, 21-12.

Ortega's husband and son—Joel and A.J.—were on the winning side, too, of their respective matches. Joel edged Mhar Dela Cruz in the men's B singles, 21-17, 21-9, while A.J. had a similar straight game victory over Jerome Malasarte in the men's C singles, 21-

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BSI-Blue Eagle boosts semis bid

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Best Sunshine International-Blue Eagle/SMF remains on target for an outright semis berth in the 2016

UFO/IT&E Inter-Organizational Basketball League after defeating Cavite, 75-68, last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

BSI-Blue Eagle, which got its fourth straight victory, now has a 6-1 record for second place in the team standings behind the unbeaten Ali'i Blue Haus/Bayani (6-0). The Top 2 squads after the round-robin regular season will automatically move into the semis, while the next four will battle for the two remaining Final Four tickets.

Cavite fell to a 2-4 record as it also lost to Save More/MIFICPA (3-3) in an earlier game last Thursday. The Boy Garcia-coached Cavite sits at fourth place in the team standings ahead of Maplas (1-5), PC Bargain/Visminda (1-6), and Armatech (0-3). 8th Division (4-2) and Stephen's Pawnshop (4-2) complete the field.

Cavite dropped another game after falling short in its rally in the fourth quarter, which started with BSI-Blue Eagle on top by

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Best Sunshine International-Blue Eagle's Douglas Schmidt stretches for a layup, while Cavite's Alex Ocampo can only helplessly look on during the first quarter of their game in the UFO caging last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.